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TIME TABLE.

On and after AUGUST 26th, 1930, until further Notice (all previous Time Tables cancelled).

UP TRAINS

STATIONS	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6	No. 7	No. 8	No. 9	No. 10	No. 11	No. 12	No. 13	No. 14	No. 15	No. 16	No. 17	No. 18	No. 19	No. 20
Kowloon Dep.	6.35	8.00	9.15	10.30	11.45	1.00	2.15	3.30	4.45	6.00	7.15	8.30	9.45	11.00	12.15	1.30	2.45	4.00	5.15	6.30
Yauwatt Dep.	6.44	8.09	9.24	10.39	11.54	1.09	2.24	3.39	4.54	6.09	7.24	8.39	9.54	11.09	12.24	1.39	2.54	4.09	5.24	6.39
Shatin Dep.	6.56	8.11	9.26	10.41	11.56	1.11	2.26	3.41	4.56	6.11	7.26	8.41	9.56	11.11	12.26	1.41	2.56	4.11	5.26	6.41
Taipei Dep.	7.10	8.25	9.40	10.55	12.10	1.25	2.40	3.55	5.10	6.25	7.40	8.55	10.10	11.25	12.40	1.55	3.10	4.25	5.40	6.55
Market Dep.	7.15	8.30	9.45	11.00	12.15	1.30	2.45	4.00	5.15	6.30	7.45	9.00	10.15	11.30	12.45	2.00	3.15	4.30	5.45	7.00
Fanning Dep.	7.25	8.40	9.55	11.10	12.25	1.40	2.55	4.10	5.25	6.40	7.55	9.10	10.25	11.40	12.55	2.10	3.25	4.40	5.55	7.10
Shuang Dep.	7.30	8.45	10.00	11.15	12.30	1.45	3.00	4.15	5.30	6.45	8.00	9.15	10.30	11.45	13.00	2.15	3.30	4.45	6.00	7.15
Shun Dep.	7.36	8.51	10.06	11.21	12.36	1.51	3.06	4.21	5.36	6.51	8.06	9.21	10.36	11.51	13.06	2.21	3.36	4.51	6.06	7.21
Canton Arr.	12.34	1.49	3.04	4.19	5.34	6.49	8.04	9.19	10.34	11.49	1.04	2.19	3.34	4.49	6.04	7.19	8.34	9.49	11.04	12.19

DOWN TRAINS

STATIONS	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6	No. 7	No. 8	No. 9	No. 10	No. 11	No. 12	No. 13	No. 14	No. 15	No. 16	No. 17	No. 18	No. 19	No. 20
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Shun Dep.	6.44	8.09	9.24	10.39	11.54	1.09	2.24	3.39	4.54	6.09	7.24	8.39	9.54	11.09	12.24	1.39	2.54	4.09	5.24	6.39
Shuang Dep.	6.56	8.11	9.26	10.41	11.56	1.11	2.26	3.41	4.56	6.11	7.26	8.41	9.56	11.11	12.26	1.41	2.56	4.11	5.26	6.41
Fanning Dep.	7.10	8.25	9.40	10.55	12.10	1.25	2.40	3.55	5.10	6.25	7.40	8.55	10.10	11.25	12.40	1.55	3.10	4.25	5.40	6.55
Market Dep.	7.15	8.30	9.45	11.00	12.15	1.30	2.45	4.00	5.15	6.30	7.45	9.00	10.15	11.30	12.45	2.00	3.15	4.30	5.45	7.00
Taipei Dep.	7.25	8.40	9.55	11.10	12.25	1.40	2.55	4.10	5.25	6.40	7.55	9.10	10.25	11.40	12.55	2.10	3.25	4.40	5.55	7.10
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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

To-day, (March 6.)

French Admiral (Herr) arrives on "Valdeck Roseau" on visit to the Colony.

Property Auction: (12-14, Queen's Road Central) China Auction Rooms, 3 p.m.

Dancing Display by Miss Violet Capell's pupils, Theatre Royal, 5.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Let Us be Gay."

World Theatre: "Scarlet Maid" (Chinese picture).

Star Theatre: "Soft Living."

Central Theatre: "King of Jazz."

Ten Dances: H.K. Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

Dinner Dances: H.K. and Peninsula Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

European Mail—Inward: Europe via Negapatam (Hakosaki Maru). Europe via Siberia (Hakone Maru). Outward: Europe via Siberia (Hakosaki Maru), 10.30 a.m.

Saturday, (March 7.)

Annual Meeting, Bank of Canton, 12 noon.

Racing—Annual Race Meeting (Happy Valley).

Hockey—Cater Clark Cup: Kowloon Ladies v. Recreation, St. Andrew's v. Diocesan Girls' School.

Cricket—Division I: Indian R.C. v. Navy (F.), Kowloon C.C. v. Civil Service (F.). Division II: Civil Service C.C. v. R.A.S.C. (L), Recreation v. Royal Engineers (L), Hong Kong C.C. v. Police (F.), University v. Indian R.C. (F.).

Football—Senior Shield: Club v. Kowloon, St. Joseph's v. Borderers, B. Artillery v. Recreation, South China v. Navy, Junior Shield: Club v. Borderers, South China v. Navy, St. Joseph's v. Eastern, Ewo v. Kowloon.

St. John's Hall (The University) Annual Dance, 9 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Let Us be Gay."

World Theatre: "Scarlet Maid" (Chinese film).

Star Theatre: "Soft Living."

Special Matinee at 5.30 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. Westminster Glee Singers.

Central Theatre: "King of Jazz."

European Mail—Inward: Europe via Negapatam (Sardis Maru); Europe via Siberia (Pres. Van Buren). Outward: Europe via Marselles (Khivi), 10.30 a.m.; Europe via Marselles (Hakone Maru), 8.30 a.m.; Europe via Siberia (Hector), 10 a.m.

Sunday, (March 8.)

Special Services, St. John's Cathedral, 11 a.m. "Hinduism or Christianity?" by the Dean; 6.00 p.m. "Does Christ Transcend Race?" by Prof. L. Forster, M.A.

Hockey Match: Club v. Shamene, U.S.R.C. ground, 11 a.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Tough Romance."

World Theatre: "The Father's Son" (Chinese picture).

Star Theatre: "Bardelya the Magnificent," 9.30 p.m. Westminster Glee Singers.

Central Theatre: "Why Bring That Up."

TRADE AND CURRENCY.

BRITISH EXPERT ON THE WORLD DEPRESSION.

SUPPOSED MAGIC OF MONEY.

Two important speeches were recently delivered by leading London bankers dealing with the problems of banking and currency and trade, writes Mr. Harold Cox in the *Sunday Times*. The first was by Mr. F. C. Goodenough, chairman of Barclay's Bank, and the second by Mr. Reginald McKenna, chairman of the Midland Bank. It is best to begin with the second speech, for Mr. McKenna has long held views which differ from those held by other leading members of his profession. For many years he has been more or less in favour of inflation, though, like many other inflationists, he dislikes the word. He still evidently leans in the same direction, but apparently sees the difficulty more clearly than he did seven or eight years ago.

In his speech, he laid special stress on the desirability of stabilising prices, but at the same time admitted the difficulties in the way. What he apparently wants to do is to persuade the bankers, if necessary with Government assistance, to control currency that prices will remain stable. He wants money to be "plentiful and cheap." His theory is that low prices, alleged to be due to a deficiency of credit and currency, are the cause of bad trade. That, of course, is the basic theory of all inflationists. Their doctrine is that if currency is expanded prices will rise and trade will flourish.

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Mr. Goodenough takes a view which is happily more consistent with the traditions of English banking and the practical experience of the world. To quote one of his sentences: "It is a mistake to feel that any change in our currency and credit policy will produce prosperity." Instead of trying to elaborate new currency schemes, in the hope of curing bad trade, we have to begin by recognizing solid facts, which show that variations in the prices of commodities are primarily due to a lack of balance between production and consumption. One cause of our present troubles is that directly after the war there was a burst of industrial activity to make good the destruc-

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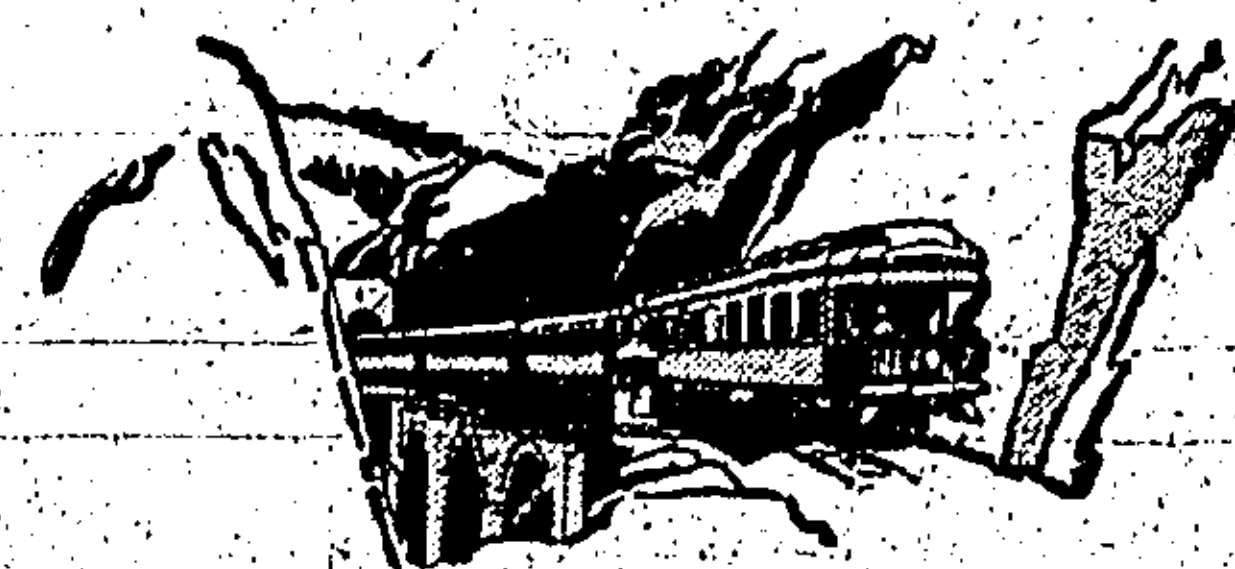
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from the collection of Beatrix Pot-
ter. Other things in stock are
the kiddies' are cut-out books of
swinging dolls in colours, and a
collection of first readers.

ROUND THE SHOPS.

(By "EVE.")

Lane, Crawford, Fashion has
prepared so many good things for
her faithful followers this spring
that it is quite easy deciding upon
those one wishes to make one's
own. Daytime frocks and suits
alone offer a great diversity of
choice and evening frocks have
never been lovelier or more be-
coming. Go along and see for your-
selves the new spring models and
you will at once agree with this
statement. Both the slim and the
not-so-slim woman can wear the
models which are all cut on the
latest slimming lines. Lace is used
a great deal and is seen on all the
new voile dresses. One very chic
model is trimmed in this manner
with white lace with blue embossed
birds; the dress is sleeveless but
has a tiny cape sleeve. Another
striking model is in white net
with flowers appliqued in yellow
and green taffeta trimming the neck
and skirt. This year women are
going to have a greater chance of
showing their good taste with
colours than they ever had before.
Colour mixtures in day clothes are
more amusing and are treated in a
new and very attractive manner.

The Dolly Vardon Hat Shop. The
first of the spring millinery is seen
at this popular Hat Shop. Hats
which you see here are all hand-
made, and designed for particular
facial types. Black still has a big
part in the ensemble and many new
black silk straw hats are seen. A very
charming model is in black and
white straw, black corded ribbon
while black and white quills is used
for the trimming. In another black
model, white camellias are the only
decorations used. The bonnet
shape has re-appeared in a more
popular form this spring together
with the double brims, of which
you can see several charming ex-
amples among the collection of the
new spring models. Green is also
one of the popular colours. One
very charming model in this colour
is of lacquered straw, with a short
front and drooping side brim, and
would be a pretty creation for
afternoon wear. Elegance and
value for money seem to go hand-
in-hand at this enterprising and
smart little hat shop.

Gordon's. When I paid a visit to
this leading shoe store I found a
few advanced summer styles being
shown. Modern shoes must form
a part of the ensemble to which
they give the finishing touch of
elegance. No longer is any type
of footwear donned haphazardly.
The colouring, fabric and style of
the shoe must be carefully chosen,
while plain shoes are decidedly with
us and the pump is a favourite for
all. Gordon's are using accents
in the way of subdued trimming,
cleverly contributed to break up
too long a line and to give slender-
ness and a harmonious division of
the shoe by contrasting leather or
a slight contrast in tone. Lizard
is in the height of popularity and
is combined half and half with
patent leather or kid. A very
smart shoe is seen with white lining
vamp and white kid seed pearls are
used as a trimming on a buckle.
Another smart shoe which I'm sure
will be very popular this summer
is in shantung silk with strips of
natural kid used for trimmings or
bindings. (Beige and white cotton
plattings). Evening slippers are
made to match the gown; satin is
still popular though moire is creep-
ing into favour. Here again, fine
curved bands, delicate strapping,
and a tracery of gold kid emphasise
the beautiful workmanship of other-
wise plain slippers.

Whiteaway's have just received a
lovely selection of party frocks for
small children. Dresses for small
children, this year are delightfully
pretty and varied—fulls, lace and
tucks are "in" again. In other
words childish frocks are smart for
small people, a fashion revival for
which Princess Elizabeth, whose
own frilly frocks are not infrequent-
ly decked with bows of ribbon and
sashes to match, is directly respon-
sible. Frocks for the very young
wearers seen at Whiteaways are
made of silk, artificial silk, printed
silk, net and lace in pink, blue,
green and cream, made up with
tiny frills and pin tucks.

In another department I was
shown new collar, and cuff sets;
these are all on new lines with wide
deep fronts and would look deligh-
ful "let in" on a plain dress.
Most of them are in net with silk
embroidered flowers.
On one counter there is a display
of new sunshades of cretonne and
artificial silk with fancy handles for
children. There are also many in
tussore silk lined with red, blue and

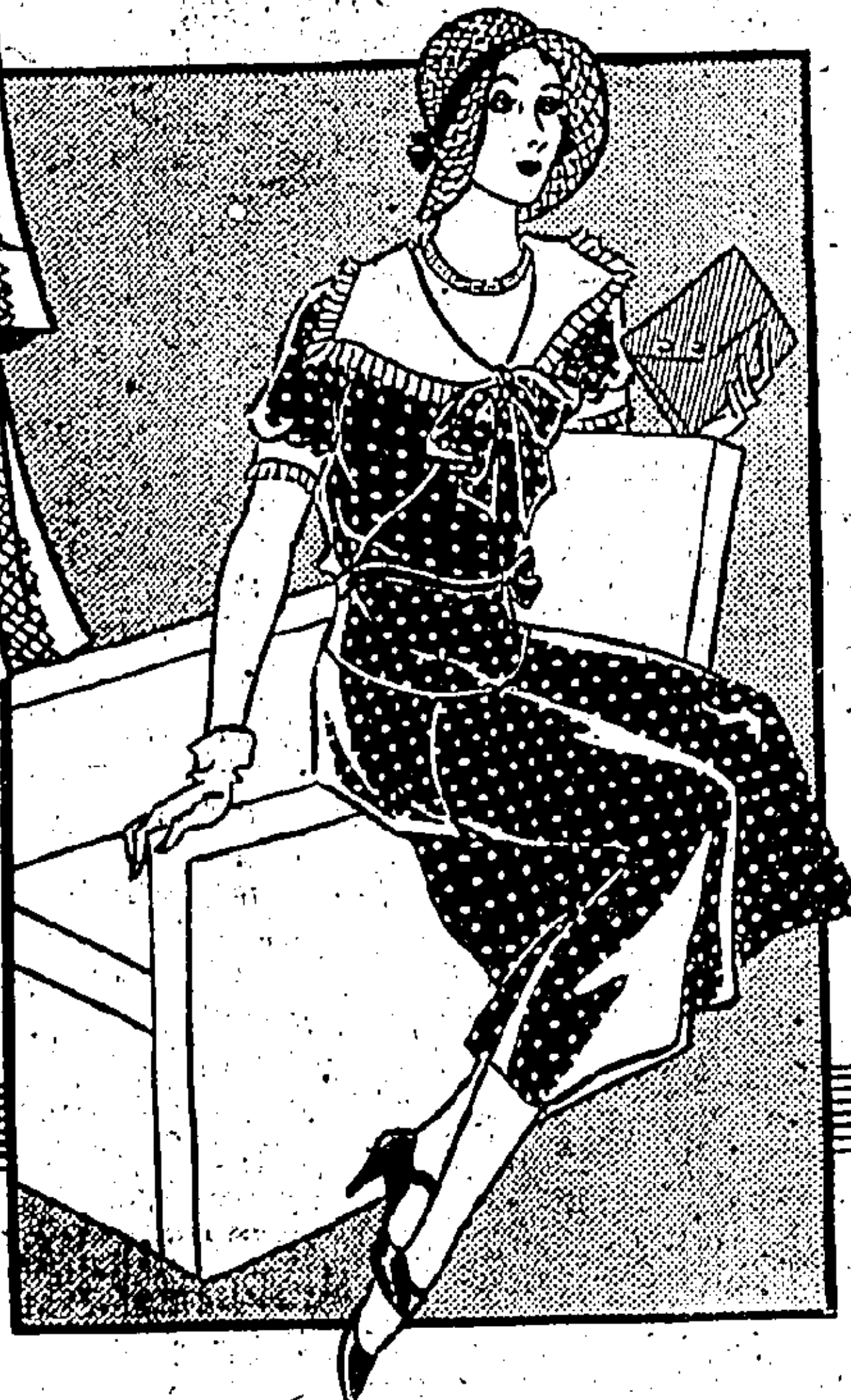


green. Some very smart beach
ensembles are also seen this week;
one sleeveless frock, coat and large
brimmed hat are all made of cre-
tonne in many beautiful colours,
and I am sure many of these de-
lightful ensembles will be seen
about the beaches this summer.

WOMAN'S PAGE.



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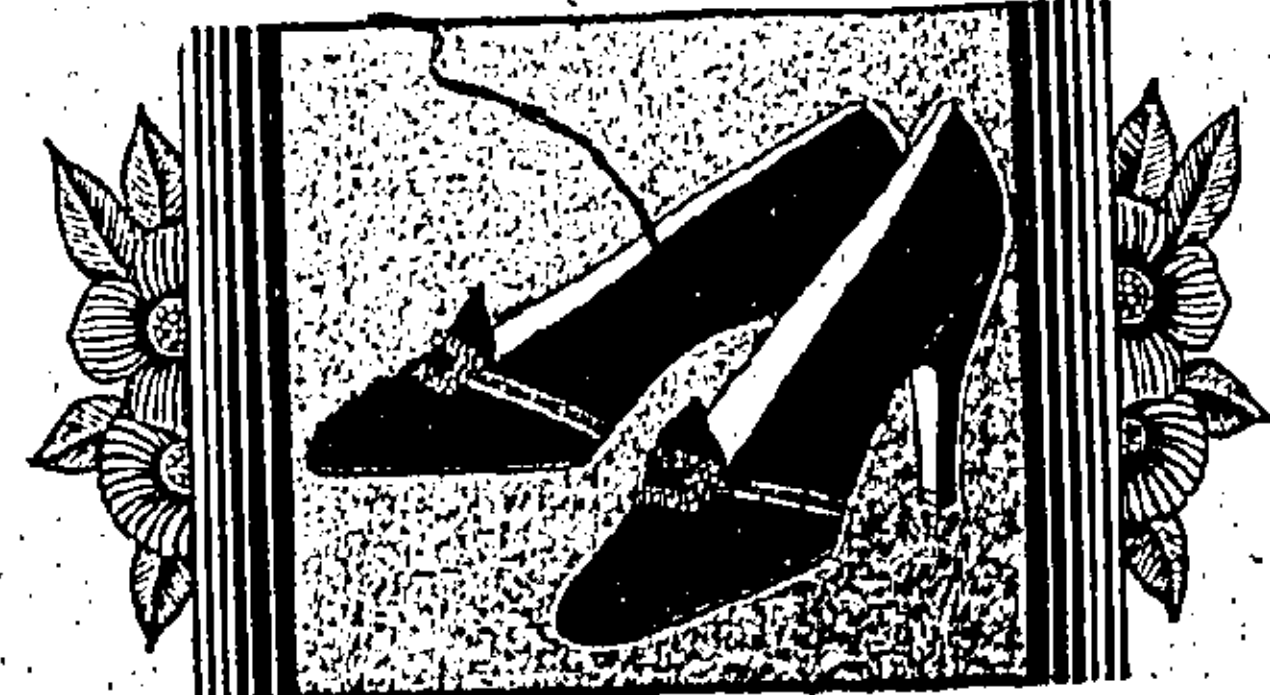
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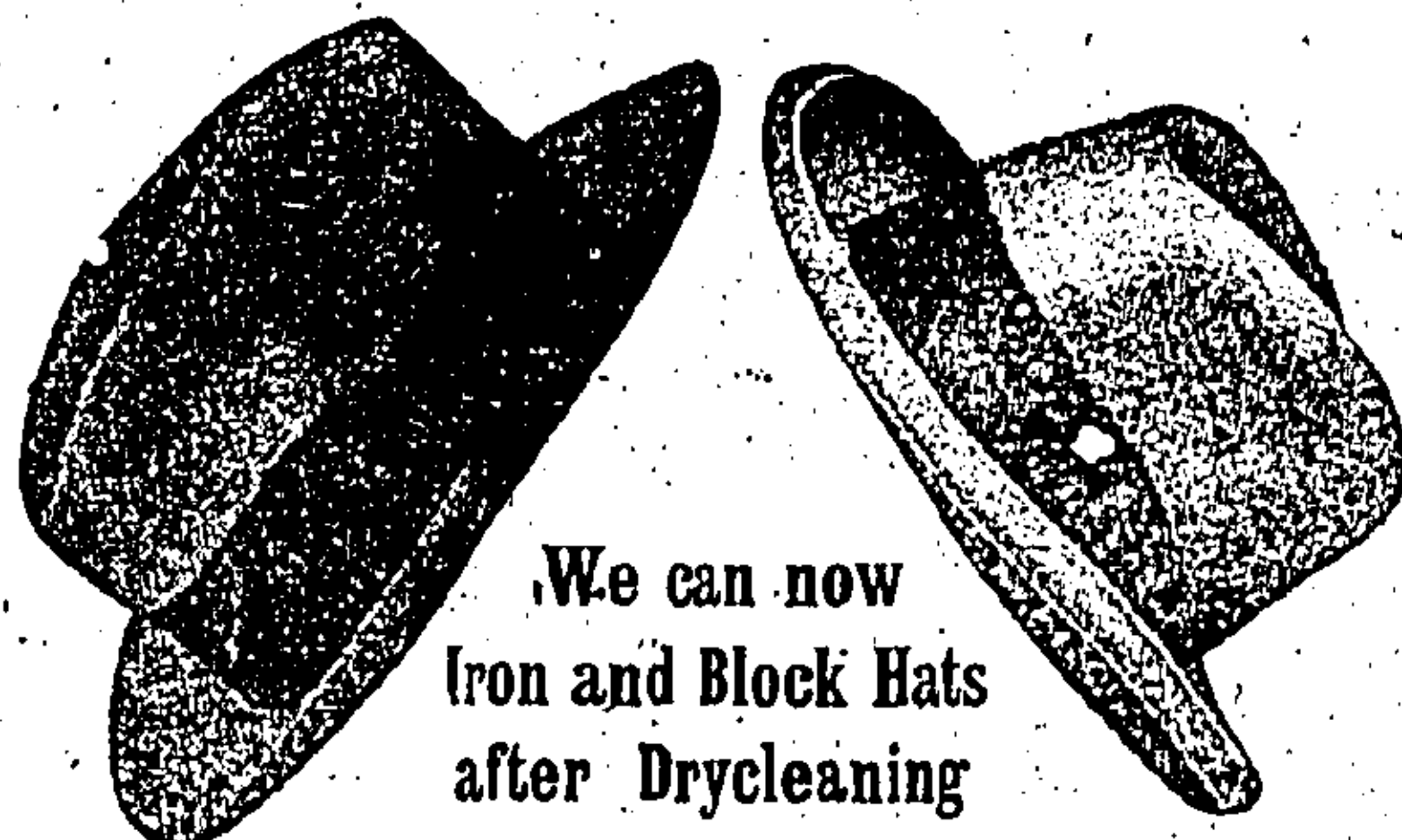
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WOMAN'S PAGE



CLOTHES—AND THE WOMAN.

Speaking generally, there are two kinds of women: those with tidy minds and those whose minds are not so tidy.

The woman with a tidy mind is clear-headed and dependable. She keeps her appointments, and she keeps her accounts. She is the kind of woman who writes all the things that one should write on the stub of a cheque book, and she can read her pass-book intelligently and actually understand at a glance what is credit and what is debit.

Unpunctual Smartness. Punctuality is high up on the list of her many virtues. She is outspoken in her opinions, and rather contemptuous of those women who cannot live up to her standards. You would think that this is the type of woman who could be expected to dress perfectly. Alas! this is very seldom the case. Her clothes are almost always rather drab and uninspiring.

Curiously enough, the best-dressed women in this wicked world are usually the ones who are inclined to be a little absent-minded about their appointments, and, charming though they may be, punctuality cannot be numbered among their virtues. They are also apt to let their accounts take care of themselves. All this, but somehow it seems to have gone astray.

Elbow Sleeve Coat. There are at the present moment a number of women who are internationally famous for their appearance, although their best friends would have to admit that they have not got tidy minds. Their clothes, however, are well worth paying attention to.

I noticed one of these women dancing the other night in a sleek velvet dress cut on long slim lines, and worn with a waist-length black ciré satin coat.

The sleeves of this coat, which reached just below the elbows, had a box-pleated frill of the same material, and the coat was edged all round with the same kind of frill.

Napoleonic Popularity. Another beautifully dressed woman wore a perfectly tailored evening dress of heavy black tulle in a curious pinky-beige shade, with a bodice-like corset of the same material in a dark plum colour.

It was made to cross very tightly at the waist, and had a deep turnover collar that was cut with long ends and tied in a bow at the waist.

This ensemble had a curiously Napoleonic air about it. It looks almost as if these Napoleonic dresses are definitely becoming popular because there was a woman the following evening dressed in a pink velvet dress that might have been designed for the Empress Josephine. The dress was made with an extremely high-waisted bodice, and a long narrow skirt pointed at the back and slit up a little way like a fish tail.

Spangles and Wax.

There are two or three materials that one sees in Paris almost every season, and yet somehow they never seem to make their way to London.

These are ciré—or waxed materials, starched nets, and spangled mousselines. Ciré satin is a difficult and very unbecoming material to wear if the whole dress is made of it, however, if used most effectively, however, for either small coats, or a skirt, if the bodice of the dress is made of another material.

Evening gowns of ciré chiffon can be very smart if they are trimmed with lace. The lace should, of course, have a dull surface to contrast better with the sheen of the chiffon.

Starched nets are particularly pretty for spring or summer evening frocks, and to my mind lightly spangled mousseline is ever so much more attractive than heavily sequined evening frocks. These are all good summer materials, and it is to be hoped that we shall see them in London this next season.

Clever or Good? Some of the smartest women are making great efforts to bring the sequin-evening beret into fashion. Two or three women have been appearing at night clubs lately in bright green caps worn on the back of their heads.

It is a very good sign that British women are actually becoming leaders of fashion, and that there are now as many English as American and French women who are world-famous for their appearance and good taste in clothes.

They may not belong to the tidy-minded brigade of women, but then very few women have all the virtues. When you come to think of it, good people are seldom very clever, and the brilliantly clever people seem to find it extraordinarily hard to be good.



A SWEET IN TEN MINUTES.

It is always useful to know a good recipe for making a sweet quickly. Here is one for a pudding which can be made in ten minutes. Mix well together three table-spoonfuls of flour, three dessert-spoonfuls of sugar, a dessert-spoonful of baking-powder, and one or two eggs. Grate a tin of butter in the mixture. Bake for seven to ten minutes, then spread with jam, and roll quickly. Serve with custard.

NECKLETS.

QUAINT AND COLOURFUL.

A new necklet is short, nestling close to the wearer's throat, and consisting of as few as five cut stones, rose quartz, amethyst, crystal and so on, separated by an oval gold bead, and sometimes having a gold chain, and besides being effective is light in weight.

Clip-on ornaments, used equally well to adorn a hat, scarf, or dress, are still very popular. They are made of chromium silver, actually silver that has been rendered untarnishable and unscratchable by plating it. In this is set the finest paste with synthetic emeralds and sapphires. Enamel is used in conjunction with these. Such an ornament is extremely effective, but the paste must be good and properly set, or half its beauty is lost.

Small panels of shagreen—actually sharkskin dyed in different shades—decorated brooches and bracelets of the moment. Blue is the predominant colour. This skin has long been used for covering watch-cases, and there is no fear that it will wear out.

Jade is undoubtedly the fashionable precious stone today. It is extensively used, and set in white gold or platinum for long, oval dress rings, which are worn on the first finger.

The ruby has gone out of favour for no apparent reason. The intrinsic value of the stone remains, of course.

Have you had the settings of your stone jewellery overhauled lately? It is well worth the trouble to have this done occasionally. None of us like losing anything, and a diamond lost is no small item.

Quaint and colourful necklets are made by stringing together irregularly cut semi-precious stones of perhaps a dozen different varieties, including some of those mentioned above, with the addition of the ever-popular crystal and stained onyx of various colours.

Onyx is dyed to practically any shade a fact which is not generally known—the prettiest being a rich cherry red, and the most generally adopted black.

PLAIDS.

NEW SEASON'S FASHION.

The French are extremely fond of plaid and check patterns, especially in taffeta and similar stiff silks, and the Parisian dress designers frequently revive the fashion for these plaids as trimmings and colour relief for winter modes.

This season we are promised another vogue for plaids and cheques, for sports and street wear. Wide, open cheques and plaids in both vivid and pastel tones will be used for narrow scarves, for blouses, buttons, and collar and cuffs. A plaid belt will be worn with a black, navy, and dark brown frocks, which is trimmed with rows of buttons covered with the same plaid. Plaid taffeta scarves will match small hats trimmed with the same material. Whole blouses will be made in gay checked silk, which will match the colour of the coat and skirt. Plaid ribbons will brighten plain velvet or felt.

An important feature of the new season's fashions are the tunics and these will be made in gay, plaided silk, and worn over a plain dark satin or maroon skirt.

The enticing effect of plaids will be seen in many of our new frocks, suits, hats, and accessories, and will give a decidedly French and chic air to our clothes.

SCIENCE AND HEALTH.

THOSE "AFTER-EFFECTS."

Modern science has been described as "organised common-sense." And Sir Ronald Ross himself has attributed the conquest of Malaria not so much to scientific brilliance as to close attention to detail. The treatment of the after effects of fever must be tackled in the same painstaking way. Quick-cure drugs and alcoholic stimulants leave no lasting benefit. The system must be fed scientifically and regularly with a true tonic food.

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HINTS ON CHIC.

A FRENCHWOMAN NEVER WEARS THE WRONG SHOES.

There is no denying the fact that the average Frenchwoman is well shod and, still more important, suitably shod. And again, there is no denying the fact that on the last point at least the Englishwoman often crumbles. We wear suitable shoes for our sport, it is true, and would never dream of appearing on the links or on the moors in high-heeled, patent leather shoes. And yet, all illogically, we will go to Mrs. Brown's "at home" in a charming silk dress and heavy walking shoes.



Reade Adair, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer player, wears satin mule slippers with black and heels of moire silk with instep bows.

"I don't understand it. It must be laziness again. Laziness and love of comfort. Foot comfort has become a habit in England, and suitably and elegance are going to the wall. One has to learn to wear dainty shoes, and I think that is why so many women just say, 'I can't wear heels,' with the result that when they come to put on the shoes in the evening they feel uncomfortable, and look it."

And now, give last little word about stockings. It is an economy hint that most Frenchwomen have acted upon since short skirts and silk stockings first came into vogue. When buying a batch of new stockings, keep strictly to one colour and one type instead of choosing a variety, as one is tempted to do. Then when one stocking gets torn or wears out before its fellow (as so often happens) the good one need not be wasted.

WRINKLES.

Be careful about the wrinkles that will some day begin to appear on your face, because no amount of beauty culture will really cure them. Wrinkles tell tales on you as nothing else does; they are the footmarks of time over your face, showing whether you have faced life with a laugh, a pout, a sneer or a grumble.

Laughter wrinkles are very beautiful, making you spread an air of contentment round you. They paint sweetness on your face, just as sneer wrinkles paint bitterness there, and they never tell lies, because they are traced by your own character.

Look in your mirror to-day. If you see laughter wrinkles about your mouth and eyes you know that all is well. If you see bitter or tragic wrinkles there, take stock of your life. What is making your face so much less beautiful than nature meant it to be? What am I grieving about? What am I sneering about? The only grief that is lasting enough to fret wrinkles on your face is self pity, the most destructive of all emotions, since it shuts you away from any sunshine that could come. Look into your surroundings.

Have you anything really to pity yourself for? Anything real, anything desperate? If you have, fight it, don't sit down under it. Better to die fighting than to go through life with a constant groan against things. And if there is nothing real to be aggrieved about, shake yourself up and make a fresh start by trying to realise how fortunate you are.

If you have wrinkles of bitterness etched round your mouth, ask yourself what right you have to be bitter. Has life not treated you as well as it should? But, then, how have you treated life? We get from life very much what we put into it.

Sneers and grumbles bring us friendliness and loveliness, laughter and courage bring us friend and achievements.

Last of all, cheerfulness brings beauty to the face, while self pity and cynicism take away all its beauty.

THE CHILDREN'S CORNER.

WHERE YOUR TOOTHBRUSH COMES FROM.

A grey, bristled, realistic-looking stuffed hog standing by a counter made me pause in surprise as I walked through a store recently. The explanation of this strange ornament was given me by a white-aproned girl who stood behind a near-by table arrayed with bones, bristles and wires.

"All these things," she told me, "go to the making of a toothbrush and the bristles used are those of the hog."

"That is what the handles are made of," she said, holding up a massive bone about 10-in. long. "It is the thigh-bone of an ox. It is cut into several lengthwise strips, which, as you see, differ in shape, some being quite straight, others curving outwards at the end."

"The bones are then planed, cut into shape and the edges rounded off smoothly. Then the holes through which the bristles pass are drilled, but these only go half-way through the bone, on the wrong side. On the right are four shallow slits that meet the holes. The bones are soaked in warm, soapy water, then fine silvered wire is passed through one of the slits into the first hole, looped by hand round a number of bristles, knotted, and then threaded up and down the four rows of holes in the same way until all the little clumps of bristles are firmly fixed in."

"After the brush has been made, the silvered wire is poured into the four slits, so that the wire encasing it is quite hidden—and that accounts for the four coloured lines you always see on hand-made brushes."

MY SNOWMAN.

I made a lovely snowman now
All of my very own.
I hated leaving him at night
Out in the dark alone
And as before I went to bed
I tiptoed out and kissed his head.

"Don't be afraid," I whispered low.
"I take you, if I might,
Up in the nursery with me.
But nurse says in the night
You'd meet away. So Snowman, dear,
I think you'll have to stay out here."



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BLAZING CAR MYSTERY.

"WILFUL MURDER" VERDICT.

PROFESSOR FAILS TO CON- FIRM DEATHBED STORY.

Surprising evidence by patho-
logical and motor engineer experts
precluded the verdict by the Otter-
burn (Northumberland) inquest
jury that Miss Evelyn Foster, who
was found dying beside her burned
motor-car on the lonely moorland
on January 6, had been murdered
by an unknown person.

Dr. McEachern, of Bellingham,
who was called when Miss Foster
was brought home on the night of
January 6, was the first witness.
He said he recollected Mrs.
Foster asking her daughter if she
had been interfered with, and the
purport of her reply was that she
had. She said that she was hit in
the eye and huddled into the back
of the car, where she became uncon-
scious.

The girl was quite lucid and sen-
sible. She described her assailant
as a man of no great size, wearing
a bowler hat and a dark coat and
plausibly spoken.

Professor Stuart McDonald,
pathologist at Durham University,
said he carried out a post-mortem
examination of the body. Exten-
sive burns were distributed in var-
ious parts of the body. The most
severe burns were on the front of
the middle portion of the body.

There were also extensive burns
on the back, extending downwards.
The degree of burning varied in
intensity.

"The features were obscured by
burns," said the professor, "but
there appeared to be discoloration
about the root of the nose."

"No external marks suggesting
injury apart from the burns were
found on any other part of the
body."

"An internal examination showed
no injuries except changes con-
sequent upon severe burning."

"There was no wound on the
scalp and no evidence of injury or
disease in the bone."

"From these appearances Dr.
McEachern and I are of opinion
that the cause of death was shock,
the result of severe external burn-
ing."

"The distribution of the burns
and their severity suggest that cer-
tain portions of the clothing had
contained some inflammable sub-
stance."

No Evidence of Bruises.
"The absence of bruising on the
upper part of the chest and below
the chin might be accounted for by
the heading forward of the head."

"The situation of other burns
indicates that there had been
splashes of an inflammable liquid."

Professor McDonald, dealing with
the results of further inspection of
the body, said that there was no
evidence of violence.

He then presented a report on
the examination of a number of
articles of clothing. Fragments of
a coat and skirt, he said, when
examined by ultra violet light gave
a distinct blue fluorescence indicat-
ing the presence of some oil of
mineral quality.

Mr. P. M. Dodds (the coroner):
There is absolutely no trace or evi-
dence of bruising of the face—
There is none.

If it had been severe would you
not have found it?—A quite severe
injury I would have.

Professor McDonald said there
was no sign that the girl had been
interfered with in any way.

Mr. Dodds: Assuming the car
was where you saw it, and she
threw some petrol into the back of
the car and set fire to it, with her
left leg probably on the running
board and her right on the edge of
the step, could the flames have
come back and blinded her?—I
think it quite possible. I cannot
quite understand, if that were the
explanation, why there would have
been such localisation of the burns.

Mr. W. Jennings, motor engineer,
of Morpeth, said that he examined
the wheel tracks on the moor on
January 6, and inferred that the
speed of the car on leaving the road
was not more than ten miles an
hour.

Fire Mystery.

The erratic nature of the wheel
marks at the beginning indicated
that the car had been out of con-
trol, but later it seemed to have
been somewhat under control.

"I am of the opinion," continued
Mr. Jennings, "that the person at
the wheel had lost interest in driv-
ing before the car stopped, and the
fire started after the car stopped."

"The car had suffered no dam-
age during the crossing of the em-
bankment which would have caused
it to ignite."

"There was no trace on the body
of the car to indicate the place of
origin of the fire."

Mr. Jennings said he was satis-
fied that the fire did not result
from a leak in the petrol tank
ignited by a short-circuit.

Dealing with the cap of the
petrol tin and the neck which were
separated from the can by the fire,
he said that their condition indi-
cated that the cap was separated
from the tin before the fire.

The fire started within or at the
rear of the body of the car and
swept forward in an upward direc-
tion.

Finally he was inclined to the
opinion that an outside agency,
outside the car itself, had been the
cause of the fire, but whether it
was with inflammable liquid or in-
flammable material there was no
evidence to show.

Mr. Jennings was questioned on
the possibility of a man being able
to drive a motor-car ten or twelve
miles while not occupying the
driver's seat. Miss Foster's state-
ment alleged that "he crept along
the seat and took hold of the
wheel," and Mr. Jennings was ask-
ed if a motor-car could be driven
in that way.

Mr. Jennings: It would be a very
difficult thing to do if she acquies-
ed or permitted him to drive with-
out resisting, and almost impossible
if she resisted.

Mr. Dodds, summing up, asked
the jury to dismiss from their
minds any rumours they might have
heard in connection with the case.

"The two main points to con-
sider are:—

"Was the girl murdered or
did she set fire to the car
and in doing so obtain the burns
accidentally?"

"If the girl has done it you must
consider what her object might be.
Was her object to obtain money
through the insurance of the car?"

"There were two policies, one
for £450, covering the car, in a
garage only, and another one cover-
ing cars up to thirty horse-power
in the sum of £700."

"There would be a pecuniary
benefit under that if she wanted to
burn the car."

"On the other hand, there are
cases of persons obsessed with the
idea of notoriety. That might be a
factor in this case. You must as-
certain whether there are any facts
which substantiate the girl's story
conclusively."

Mr. Dodds, dealing with the
girl's statement that a man threw
something over her, said that no
trace of anything inflammable, ex-
cept petrol, had been found on the
girl's clothes. Was it likely the
stranger would carry a bottle or tin
of petrol on him?"

According to Miss Foster's state-
ment the car must have been on
fire on the road. Could it then
have been driven across the moor?
Such a thing was absolutely impos-
sible. It was nonsense.

The condition in which the neck
and cap of the petrol tin were found
seemed to indicate that the tin had
been opened and the contents used
before the fire.

Burns Theories.
"It has been suggested that the
girl may have been standing with
one foot on the step and one on the
running board, pouring petrol on
the cushions, and that when she
lighted it the flames came back and
caught her. Is not the position of
the burns most consistent with a
theory of that description?"

"It would be entirely improper
for me to say that these burns were
caused by any person."

"There is no direct evidence
that they were, and it would be im-
proper for you to bring in such a
verdict unless you are satisfied
there are no doubts."

"It would be equally improper
for you to say that the burns were
caused by the way I suggest—by
the girl setting fire to the car and
becoming instantly enveloped in
flames—unless you are absolutely
satisfied."

The jury, after a retirement last-
ing two hours and ten minutes,
returned a verdict of "Wilful mur-
der against some person or persons
unknown."

The coroner asked the jury
whether "Wilful" meant that some in-
dividual willfully poured petrol over
her and set her on fire.

The foreman: Yes, we do.

TRADE AND CURRENCY.

(Continued from Page 1.)

The idea that we can remedy the
situation by expanding currency is
disposed of by past experience.
After the war Europe had visible
evidence of the results of currency
inflation. The fatal defect of the
inflationary policy is that it ceases
to effect the purpose intended un-
less it is progressive. It is not the
absolute price that matters so much
to the producer as an improving
price. He wants to sell at a higher
scale of prices than that at which
he bought his raw material and
paid wages to his workpeople.
Then he is assured of a profit.
Consequently once a government
starts on a policy of inflation in
order to raise paper prices for the
benefit of producers, it has to con-
tinue inflating until the value of a
piece of paper that used to be
worth, say, a shilling is reduced to
an infinitesimal fraction of a farth-
ing. This happened in Germany
and Austria less than ten years
ago, and both countries have re-
turned to the gold standard.

No Shortage of Gold.

Today there is no evidence what-
ever of any real shortage in the
supply of gold or of bank credit for
the purposes of trade. The low
bank rate at present maintained by
the Bank of England is a sufficient
proof that, in England at any rate,
there is more credit available than
borrowers are asking for. There
has also been an appreciable in-
crease in the world's supply of gold,
and it has to be remembered that
five millions in gold will provide
something like a hundred millions
in credit.

Many people, however, are saying
that gold is badly distributed. The
United States is said to have in its
banks about \$300,000,000, against
£150,000,000 in the Bank of Eng-
land. But, as Mr. McKenna him-
self admitted, the United States has
not escaped the wave of depression
which has spread over the world.
On the contrary, unemployment
there is probably at least as serious
as in Great Britain. Even in
France, where there is also a sur-
plus of gold, unemployment is be-
ginning to be seriously felt.

Happily, too, it is not accurate
to say that all our industries in
Great Britain are depressed. Some
of the newer industries are doing
fairly well, and it is interesting to
note that a movement has just been
started in Lancashire to establish
new industries there, because every-
thing seems to point to a perma-
nent decline in the Lancashire cot-
ton trade. This move in Lancashire
is an indication of the lines of
self-help we have to work upon to
meet our troubles. At any rate, let
us get rid of the idea that trade
depends on currency. Money is the
servant, not the master, of trade.
The same point has been well ex-
pressed by a writer on finance in
the words: "Currency and credit
are not substitutes for work and
wealth."

BLOW AT ROOT OF INDUSTRY.

MENACE OF SOVIET FIVE- YEARS' PLAN.

SERIOUS PREDICTIONS CONFIRMED.

Berlin.—In view of the eminent
importance of the problem of the
Soviet Union's industrialization and
its eventual effect on the economic
and social future of Europe and the
world as a whole, as strongly em-
phasized by the French financier
M. Parmentier, a representative of
Transecap, sought an interview
with a prominent German busi-
nessman who for years has been
closely interested in and connected
with Soviet financial and industrial
questions.

Asked whether and how far he
was ready to endorse M. Parmentier's
statement, he declared that he
could not prefer not to make such
exact predictions as to 75 or 80
per cent. execution of the Piatilek
within the originally stipu-
lated time, but that was of secon-
dary importance inasmuch as
regarding the main point the cor-
rectness of M. Parmentier's ob-
servations and conclusions could
not be doubted. The danger threat-
ening the industrial and economic
structure of the world and conse-
quently all other conditions
too could not be over-estimated and
there was no longer any way open
for escape or counter-action ex-
cept perhaps by quick and very
radical action destined to revive
the purchasing-power of the masses
and thereby trade and industry
through a removal of international
barriers and a drastic liquidation
of the financial legacies of the
world-war.

Unworkable Suggestions.

Some people had proposed that
the other nations of the world
should refuse to sell the Soviet
any machinery or tools needed for
Russia's industrialization, but this
method was clearly impossible,
especially since everybody was seek-
ing new outlets for his own in-
dustrial over-production. Already
the Soviets were able to undercut
world-market prices in a number
of important products, though
there was proof that they were
careful to avoid as far as possible
imposing too much opposition to
"Russian dumping" in order not
to create too many obstacles at this
early stage of their industrial
development.

There was also no use trying to
avert the danger by legislation
against dumping or forced labour
products. Refusal to buy Russian
exports would merely divert Soviet

purchases to other countries, and
as to forced labour, the Soviet
would merely reply by declaring
that such a term is not to be ap-
plied in conditions of life and
labour in a Communist state where
everything was based on principles
entirely different from those in
Capitalist states. As to dumping,
the Soviet claim that the price
differences can also easily be ex-
plained by the Communist state
ownership which, a factory having
once been set up with common pub-
lic funds, need not take into ac-
count the capital invested, its
earning of interest and its amortiza-
tion.

Need to Face Facts.

Asked whether he could see any-
thing that might hinder or delay
the progress of Russia's industria-
lization along the lines of the
Piatilek, our informant said
that a good deal might eventually
depend on the Soviets' ability to
maintain their exports, because
without them they would hardly
be able to finance the purchases of
machinery needed for the quick
industrialization of the country,
as their gold reserves were appar-
ently somewhat limited. In any
case, he concluded, it would be
foolish to believe that the Russian
problem could be solved by a
policy of pin-prick attacks on the
Soviets and a refusal to face these
very hard facts with an open and
unbiased mind.

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QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"LET US BE GAY."

Norma Shearer again plays the
piano in "Let Us Be Gay," her
new Metro-Goldwyn Mayer talkie,
now being shown at the Queen's
Theatre.

Sidney Franklin discovered
Norma's musical ability between
scenes in the screening of "The
Last of Mrs. Cheyney," and since
that time every director has in-
cluded a piano scene in her pic-
ture.

In Franklin's picture, Miss
Shearer played for Herbert
Bunston's singing. In "Their Own
Desire," she played for Robert
Montgomery. In "The Divorcee"
she played for Chester Morris, and
now, in her new picture, she has
to play for a whole ensemble made
up of Rod La Rocque, Raymond
Hackett, Tyrrell Davis and Gilbert
Emery.

"I also can whistle with two fin-
gers, but I hope they don't discover
that too," observed Miss Shearer
when she found the new piano
scene in her script.

Marie Dressler plays the part of
the eccentric dowager in the pic-
ture, and the part of the Rachel Crothers
play. Sally Eilers and Hedda
Hopper are included in the sup-
porting cast.

"ROUGH ROMANCE."

The versatility of Helen Chan-
dler, demure little recruit to the
speaking screen from the New
York Theatre Guild, has been pro-
ven conclusively by her grasp of
the latest role assigned her by
Movietone in "Rough Romance,"
the next feature at the Queen's
Theatre.

Miss Chandler achieved her first
great screen success as the wistful
heroine of "Salute" and "The Sky
Hawk," an epic of British avia-
tion during the world war.

Soon after the completion of
this picture she was told that she
would enact the part of a girl of
the north woods, the daughter of
a forest ranger whose cabin ad-
joins the camp of a roistering
crowd of lumberjacks.

Undismayed, Miss Chandler made
the change from cultivated Eng-
lish girl to woman of the wilder-
ness. In "Rough Romance," Fox
Movietone production directed by
A. F. Erickson, she is entirely
convincing in the part of "Marna
Reynolds." Other featured mem-
bers in the cast of this outdoor
film, photographed amid the scenic
beauties of the Cascade Range in
Washington, are George O'Brien,
Antonio Moreno and Noel Francis.

CENTRAL THEATRE.

"KING OF JAZZ."

The most colossal interior set
ever built is the "Melting Pot"
setting of "King of Jazz," the all-
Movietone, all-technicolor, ex-
travaganza starring Paul White-
man and his band now playing at
the Central Theatre to full houses.

This tremendous setting, with its
huge golden crucible, its enormous
double staircases and fows of
columnades, could only have been
constructed on a huge sound-stage
at Universal, the largest in the
world.

On this lavish "prop" John
Murray Anderson, the director of
the picture, conceived a spectacle
of musical drama which has sur-
passed even the most extravagant
dreams of the motion picture in-
dustry.

There are eight different changes
of costumes by all the hundreds
of players in this one number
alone, which is the finale of "King
of Jazz." Almost all of the glit-
tering array of screen, stage and
vaudeville stars, who appear
throughout the picture, appear in
this number also, which is the big-
gest single production ever filmed.

The theme of the number is the
transition of the music of all
nationalities into American jazz—
symbolized on the sound screen by
a crucible of melody which contains
the appeal of the music of the na-
tions throughout the world.

Never before has such a climax
of music and spectacle been pre-
sented, either on the stage or
screen. In the one number alone,
it offers the surprising sound,
lighting and dramatic effects of
both.

"WHY BRING THAT UP?"

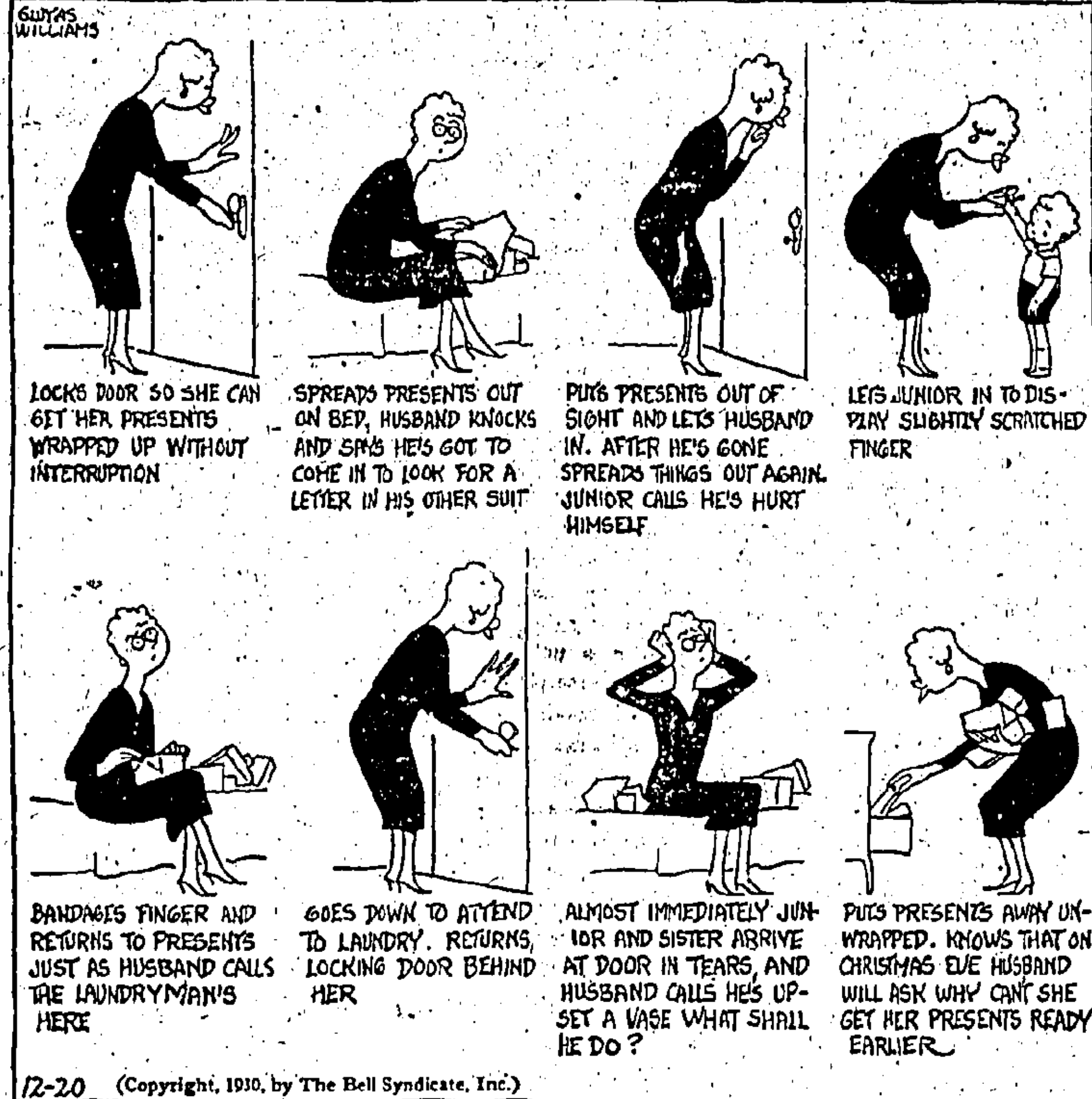
Charles Mack, of the comedy
team of Moran and Mack, the Two
Black Crows, was born at White
Cloud, Kansas.

Mack's first ambition was to be-
come a baseball player. For a
time he was a sandlot star and
then graduated to a catcher's po-
sition on the Olympia, Wash., pro-
fessional team and hobnobbed with
Joe Tinker and Eal Chase. The
Olympia street car company owned
the team and part of Mack's con-
tract, in addition to ball playing,
was to act as a street car conduc-
tor for six hours a day.

But Mack had another passion—
mechanics. He became interested
in "fixing" and "putting in" ju-
as electrician in a Tacoma theatre.
After a while he yearned to be an

SNAPSHOTS OF A WOMAN BEING FORWARDED

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



author of stage material. Some
of his writings were accepted and
used by actors. And so Mack de-
cided to write an act for himself,
for if his lines were valuable to
others, why couldn't he put them
over himself?

He tried blackface for many
years and finally teamed up with
Moran. They played in vaudeville
in America for a number of years,
but it took the plaudits of Eng-
land to put them over. The team
now appeared in many musical
shows in New York and made
phonograph records, over 7,000,000
of which have been sold. Many
new admirers were created by
radio broadcasting.

Now, Moran and Mack, the Two
Black Crows, have made their first
motion picture, "Why Bring That
Up?" which comes to the Central
Theatre on Sunday.

WESTMINSTER GLEE
SINGERS.OPENING TO-MORROW AT
STAR THEATRE.

Mr. Edward Branscombe's West-
minster Glee Singers, who were
responsible for one of the biggest
booms which a theatrical company
has known in Hong Kong on the
occasion of their extended season
here last January, are returning
here for a farewell four nights,
commencing on Saturday, March
7. These will definitely be Hong
Kong's final chances to hear fav-
orite artists, as they sail immedi-
ately afterwards for Singapore,
en route to South Africa.

The singers will be heard in a
new location this time, for they
have engaged the Star Theatre at
Kowloon, which should be admir-

able for their purposes, and new
programmes will be presented, a
fact only possible because the com-
pany has a repertoire of 150 items.

Since they left here, the company
has had a remarkably successful
season in the Embassy Theatre,
Shanghai, and is at present play-
ing a season there, of no
less than seven performances. In
the interim, they visited Tientsin
and Peiking, creating a record for
this type of entertainment in Tien-
tsin by playing no less than seven
nights altogether in the Olympic
Theatre, while Peiking provided
three packed houses. Mr. Brans-
combe writes that the company is
all eagerly looking forward to their
return to Hong Kong. Booking
cinema at Moutrie's and the Star
Theatre at popular prices of \$4.40,
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on Saturday at 5.30 p.m. when
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RED ATTACK ON
CHURCHES.GERMAN MINISTER CARRIES
WAR TO REICHSSTAG.SOVIET PROPAGANDA BY
RADIO.

Berlin, Feb. 21.—In the Reich-
stag's budget committee heated
scenes took place owing to colli-
sions between the Communists and
Minister of the Interior Dr. Josef
Wirth, who is one of the leaders
of the Clerical Centre Party, and
who continued his recently started
fight against the "brutal barbarous
and infamous" campaign against
the Churches as carried on by the
Communist organizations.

Dr. Wirth however did not con-
fine his attacks to the intolerance
of the Communists but also sharply
criticized "the excesses in the op-
posite direction committed by peo-
ple in the bourgeois camp" which
were reminiscent of the state of
mind prevailing in the twenties of
last century.

The question of how to deal with
the propaganda carried on by the
Soviet radio broadcasting stations
was also raised in the course of the
debate and attention was called to
the announcement made in Moscow
to the effect that the Soviets had
decided to open six new powerful
broadcasting stations of which
several are specially designed for
work amongst the nations of the
Far East while some will be strong
enough to be heard in India and
Africa. Part of these stations will
be completed in the course of the
present and the rest within the
next year.

It was pointed out that it will
be very difficult to counteract this
sort of propaganda as so far all
attempts to settle the matter by
diplomatic negotiations have fail-
ed, the only really effective measure
against it being an improvement
of the economic situation amongst
the masses for which the prospects
however were not too good as long
as the present economic depression
remained unchanged.

PISTOL IN POST.

WORLD TOURIST FINED
IN PENANG.

Penang, Feb. 24.—M. Kralichuk-
Soboleff, a Russian youth who ar-
rived here on Saturday was yester-
day arrested and this morning
charged in the second police court
with sending an automatic pistol
and one hundred rounds of am-
munition through the post without
permission to do so.

The accused posted the parcel on
February 2, 1929, when he was pas-
sing through as a world tourist.

Mr. Kralichuk-Soboleff, clad in
military uniform with an array of
gold and silver medals pinned to
his breast, stood outside the dock
and pleaded guilty when the charge
was explained.

Detective Inspector Hunt said he
had sanction to prosecute for the
Superintendent of Jails. The ac-
cused arrived in Singapore early in
1929 and was presented by someone
with a pistol which he brought to
Penang. Not wishing to carry a
pistol and ammunition through
India he posted it, addressed to
himself, care of the Postmaster-
General of Turkey. After crossing
India, Persia, Arabia and Pales-
tine he learned he could not proceed
to Turkey.

Meantime the parcel arrived in
Turkey where it remained for some
time when the Turkish authorities
returned it to Shanghai from where
it was sent to Penang. Appearing
unusual, the authorities in Penang
opened it and discovered the pistol
and ammunition and used postage
stamps. The articles were confiscat-
ed as it was not thought there was
any likelihood of the accused re-
turning to the Colony.

Detective Inspector Hunt added
that what accused should have done
was to take the articles to the Arms
and Explosives Department to ob-
tain a permit for their export to
Turkey. The offence was most seri-
ous if it was deliberate, but the
prosecution was prepared to accept
the accused's plea that it was not
deliberate.

M. Kralichuk-Soboleff explained
that when he arrived in the Colony
in 1929 he did not know English
and was not able to do so with
the pistol. A fine of \$5 was im-
posed.

QUEEN'S

TO-DAY & TO-MORROW
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20."The
Divorcee"
Star—NORMA
SHEARERLET US
BE GAYA Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer
All-Talking PictureTHE YEAR'S
OUTSTANDING
TALKIEMarie Dressler
Rod La Rocque
Gilbert Emery
Hedda HopperA Robert Z.
Leonard
Production

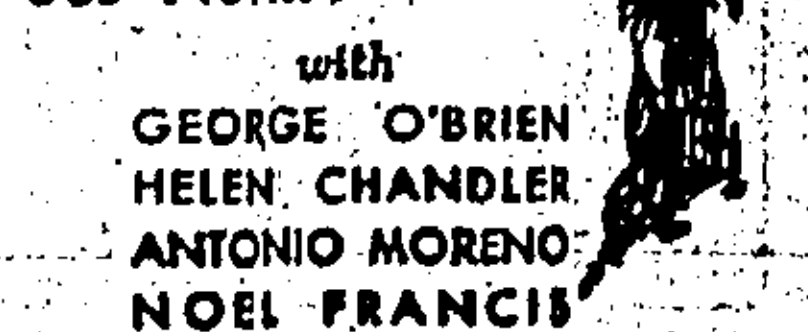
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drama of the vigor-
ous Northwith
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HELEN CHANDLER
ANTONIO MORENO
NOEL FRANCIS

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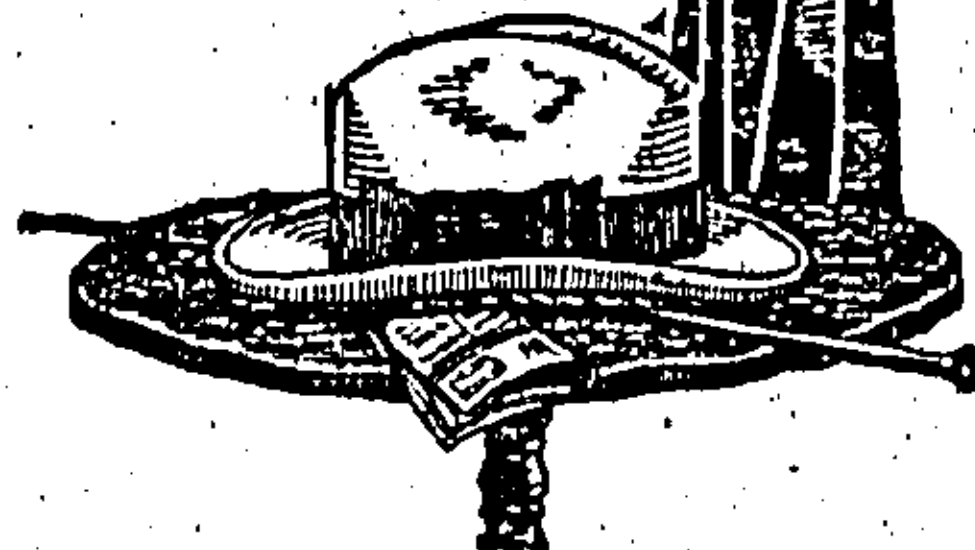
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APOLOGY IN COURT.

ASSAULT ON A WITNESS
ADMITTED.PUISNE JUDGE IMPOSES
FINE OF \$100.

An assault committed by a Chinese on a witness within the precincts of the Law Courts last week was dealt with by the Puisse Judge (Mr. Justice Lickell) yesterday when the defendant in the contempt of Court proceedings tendered an apology through his solicitor and asked for the leniency of the Court.

The case outlined by Mr. Horace Lo and borne out by the complainant, Ng Cheuk Nam, and another witness, was that after the close of a Summary Court case last week, the complainant was leaving the Court when he was set upon by Wong Ping Tong and assaulted because Ng Cheuk Nam gave evidence in that case against the defendant firm (Yu On) Lung Cheong Kee) with which Wong Ping Tong was connected.

At the resumed hearing Mr. Lo asked leave to recall the complainant for further evidence as the other side did not admit the assault. He said it was important that Ng Cheuk Nam should add to his evidence the fact that he saw Mr. Lo immediately after the assault and related what had happened.

No Insult to the Court.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong, who appeared for the defendant, Wong Ping Tong, intimated at this stage that he would admit the assault and had advised his client to apologize for what had happened, which was in no way meant as an insult to the Court or to interfere with the course of justice. The defendant was no doubt somewhat annoyed in view of the evidence given and allowed his feelings to get the better of him.

Mr. Armstrong asked his Lordship to accept the apology and not to make an order for committal of the defendant. He agreed that the proceedings had been properly brought, and that if his Lordship accepted his submission, the defendant should be ordered to pay the cost of the proceedings.

His Lordship said he was not prepared to accept the apology, as witnesses who attend Court to give evidence must be protected. The offence, however, was not so serious as to justify a committal, and he would therefore order Wong Ping Tong to pay a fine of \$100, also the costs of the proceedings.

EXTRADITION CASE.

WHO SHOULD PAY FOR
PASSAGE?

When Jeng Shee, a Chinese married woman, was brought before Mr. W. Schofield yesterday in connection with extradition proceedings, the woman being wanted by the United States authorities for alleged embezzlement of \$325,000, the question of the expense was raised.

The Public Prosecutor (Mr. Somerset Fitzroy) explained the formality that would have to be followed with the despatch of papers between the State of California and the Federal authorities at Washington, and the inevitable delay intervening before these reached Hong Kong. He estimated that the formal requisition superseding the request of the United States consular representative would not be here for two months.

Meanwhile, the question as to which Government should bear the expense of the woman's passage back to the United States was receiving attention and was forming the subject of correspondence between the United States consular representative and his Government.

For the accused, Mr. Lecky submitted that the logical liability in this respect fell on the United States Government, they being the applicants in the extradition proceedings. He further contended that a time-limit should be set on the period of waiting for the papers.

After further discussion, His Worship decided on a forty-eight hours' formal adjournment pending a reply to the United States Consul's cablegram regarding the expense of the accused's passage.

On a previous appearance before the Court, the accused had said she was willing to waive extradition proceedings and return to America of her own accord.

TIGERS IN HAINAN.

HONG KONG AND PORT
BAYARD SPORTSMEN
AFTER THEM!

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Hoihow, Hainan, Feb. 26. Several years ago the population in the Shui-ma district on the lower extremity of Luchow Peninsula was almost decimated. This was due to various causes, principally banditry. Later on tigers became very numerous and these added to the toll of victims. Many stories are related of savage attacks by tigers, and in some places it is still dangerous to be out after sunset.

It is reported that a party of hunters from Fort Bayard and Hong Kong are planning an expedition for the near future. It takes about four hours to cross the strait from Hoihow over to Hoi-On by junk. If the plans materialize it is expected that a number of sportsmen will join the party at Hoihow.

Squealing Hainan "Canaries."

One of the principal exports from Hoihow is pigs. In ordinary times Hainan furnishes the bulk of the pork for the Hong Kong market. The shipping people speak of pigs as "canaries." Thousands of the animals are brought out from the interior districts by auto after they have been fattened. The Hainanese women, like the ancient serfs, have quite an affection for the living pig, but when it is ready to eat it goes to the table of the Norman lords as pork.

On shipment to Hong Kong each pig is placed into a roughly woven bamboo basket. They are carried from the pen to the junk lying along side the bund. Here they are piled three or four layers deep until the junk is well loaded. When the tide comes in the trip is made out to the steamer lying in the harbour three miles away, and the "canaries" are hoisted up and piled on the deck to join the other members of the zoo that have been loaded in Haiphong and Pakhoi.

Government Agriculture Experiment Station.

The Government Agriculture Experiment Station located four miles south of Hoihow shows signs of renewed activity. The men in charge have spent several years in France and Germany in special training for such work. Thousands of trees and plants have been planted and in time afforestation will be carried out in all parts of the Island. This will greatly add to its wealth as well as to its natural beauty, and make it the real garden of South China.

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SHARE.

The General Managers of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., in their annual report, state:—

The profits for the twelve months ended 31st October, 1930, amount to \$124,000.37 which together with the carry forward of \$64,625.30 from the previous year, leaves \$188,625.75 available for appropriation.

Directors will recommend at the forthcoming annual meeting of shareholders that this sum be allocated as follows:—

To pay a dividend of 75 cents per share which will absorb	\$90,000.00
To write off building improvements	0,152.63
To write off water, plank, pipe line and dam	5,000.00
Transfer to Chinese staff superannuation fund	5,000.00
Carry forward to next account	80,133.13
	\$189,285.76

SHIPCHANDERY FIRM TO
BE WOUND UP.ORDERS MADE BY SUPREME
COURT.

At the Supreme Court yesterday, Mr. Justice Wood considered a petition for the winding up of the firm of E. Hing, 25, Wing Wo Street, which had carried on business in the Colony as shipchandlers and hardware merchants for about 60 years. An order was sought on the ground that the firm, as carried on at the present time, was losing money and the dissolution of the Chinese partnership was necessary if existing liabilities were to be met.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Messrs. G. K. Hall Braddon & Co., appeared for the petition, Chin Lo Shi, widow of 12, Arbuthnot Road, whose son holds a partnership in the business and is a nephew of the former proprietor, on whose death the management passed to his sons. None of the other partners appeared in Court to oppose the petition for winding up and appointment of a liquidator. His Lordship made an order in the terms of the petition.

CENTRAL BANK
NOTES.MERCHANTS' ACCEPTANCE
AT A DISCOUNT.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, Mar. 3. The repercussions in political circles consequent upon the recent sensational resignation of Hu Han Min at Nanking is causing grave apprehension in Canton. The merchants, especially the small dealers, are again refusing to accept Central Bank of China notes as payment for goods sold. Beginning yesterday the bankers and money-changers refused to take in these banknotes at par value.

Your correspondent tested the situation by going to one of the native banks on Sap Sam Hong to buy some Hong Kong notes with local currency. The bank asked what sort of local currency, Central Bank of China notes or silver coins, as the value was not the same for both. This was tantamount to accepting the banknotes of the Canton Government at a discount.

With the loss of confidence in these Government banknotes, the value of Hong Kong money as compared with that of Canton money took an enormous jump upward today. Up to last night the exchange rate was still \$1.28 Canton money to the Hong Kong dollar, but today it went up to \$1.38, as indicated on the rate signboards in front of each bank. This, according to a banker in the course of a conversation with your correspondent, was only a roundabout method of evading the Government order, which prohibits anyone from discounting its banknotes. If the exchange was made secretly and in silver coins, the exchange rate would be the same as before.

Most of the merchants in the city are refusing to take in Central Bank of China notes unless the purchase made is 80 per cent, or more of the face value of the banknote presented by the customer. "Run" on Central Bank of China.

A "run" on the Central Bank of China in Canton was started yesterday and is still continuing. Both the head office of the Government depository at the South Bund and its branches on Wing Hon Road and on the West Bund are crowded with people clamouring for the redemption of their banknotes.

The Government so far is laying no restriction as to the amount of its notes to be redeemed. The Government Bank is meeting the demands of the apprehensive public as fast as it can with a view to restoring confidence in the circulation of its notes.

Customs Refuse to Accept Notes. The Customs authorities, for some reason or other, are also refusing to accept Central Bank of China notes, thus intensifying the fear of the general merchants here.

The Customs authorities maintained that they have been forced to do this, as the banks have refused to exchange them for Hong Kong notes at par value when presented. The Government is becoming anxious regarding the situation, and is doing all it possibly can to restore confidence in its banknotes.

At a meeting held yesterday afternoon, the following measures were adopted:—That the Department of Finance should, through Mr. Yung Kwei Ching, Superintendent of Canton Customs, order the Canton Customs House to continue to accept Central Bank of China notes at full face value, the Government assuming the responsibility for buying Hong Kong money in exchange; and that all Government offices must accept only Central Bank of China notes in settlement of taxes, etc.

Through these two measures the Government hopes to cope with the situation.

ARMED ROBBERY AVERTED
AT KENNEDY ROAD.SERVANT GIRL RAISES THE
ALARM.

An armed robbery by a gang of three men at 64, Kennedy Road, a Chinese residence, was frustrated yesterday by the plucky action of a servant girl in giving the alarm just as the men had reached the doorway of the house. The only other occupant at the time was the mistress of the house, and she also played a part in putting the gang to flight.

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Owing to a shortage of supplies our prices until further notice will be as follows:—

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The increases are purely temporary and will cease to operate as soon as supplies are again available.

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The servant girl told the police that shortly after 4 p.m. she heard the bell ringing at the garden gate. She went to the gate and saw a man standing outside in the act of picking up a paper parcel on the step. She called out to him and he came in. She saw him open the parcel and by some means succeeded in pushing open the gate. Two others suddenly joined him and one of them was seen to take something out of his pocket which looked like the handle of a knife.

The gang followed the girl to the doorway of the house, where she raised the cry of "save life." Her mistress, Wong Yik Mai, heard the cry, and coming out to the verandah she shouted for help. A hasty flight of the gang resulted, the men descending the hillside.

When the parcel which had been left behind was examined it was found to contain bricks.

CHINESE "WHEEL"
RAIDED.GAMBLERS ARRESTED BY
THE SHANGHAI POLICE.

Fifty-four Chinese gamblers faced the French Mixed Court on Monday morning as the result of being caught in a gambling den at 203 Tungfongh alleyway, Avenue Poch, late on Sunday night, and were fined 810 each, while the owner of the house was sentenced to two months' imprisonment and fined \$3,000.

The raid was made following the receipt of complaints from neighbours regarding the gambling. Capt. Fiori, Director of French Police Services, came to a decision to carry out a campaign against all Chinese gambling dens in the French Concession, and acting on information received concerning this particular house, issued orders for it to be raided.

Led by M. Litigne, Sous-Chef of the French C.I.D., a party of five foreign police and fifteen Annamites went to the house on Sunday, surrounded it and rushed the place shortly before 11 p.m. Fifty-four gamblers were found present in the house, the game played being roulette. No difficulty was encountered in making the raid, and the 54 gamblers, and the owner of the house, Thung Tsch Oi, were taken to Central Station, Rue Stanislas Chevalier, and locked up for the night.

In addition to the fines and gaol sentence awarded, the judge in the French Mixed Court ordered the seizure of the roulette wheel and \$2,200 in cash found on the premises.

HELENA MAY CONCERT.

ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMME BY
LOCAL ARTISTES.

Instrumental music of a classical nature by some of the Colony's most talented artistes was given to a large audience at the Helena May Institute last evening. A very high quality of music was maintained throughout the concert and those who attended were rewarded with the excellent fare supplied by Mr. H. Ore and the others.

The programme opened with a bracket from Beethoven, Mr. A. Wuest (violin) joining Messrs. H. Ore, F. Gonzales and L. Szente, popularly known as the Hong Kong Trio, whose appearances are always looked forward to by music lovers.

Mr. H. Ore was in an excellent mood and scored a personal triumph in the seven enjoyable selections rendered by him on the piano. In the concluding number, Mr. N. Botelho (bass) joined the other four musicians, the group playing the first, fourth and fifth movements from "Trout Quintette" in A. Op. 114 (Schubert).

The programme was as follows:—
1.—Second and Third movements from Quartette in E. Flat..... Beethoven.

Mr. H. Ore (piano)
Mr. A. Wuest (violin)
Mr. F. Gonzales (viola)
Mr. L. Szente (cello).

2.—1. Gavotte

transcribed by H. Ore.

Q. Valentin.

2. The Bagpipe..... F. Hiller.

3. Study in A minor..... F. Chopin.

4. (a) Legend and (b) Valse,

based on the name

"E.D.A.D"..... H. Ore.

5. Nocturne for left hand..... A. Scriabin.

6. Valse from Opera "Eugen

Onegin".....

P. Tschukovsky.

transcribed by P. Pobst.

(Mr. Harry Ore.)

3.—First, Fourth and Fifth move-

ments from "Trout-Quintette"

in A. Op. 114..... Schubert.

Mr. H. Ore (piano)

Mr. A. Wuest (violin)

Mr. F. Gonzales (cello)

Mr. L. Szente (cello)

Mr. N. Botelho (bass).

STEAMBOAT CO.'S DIFFICULTIES.

COMPANY ON SOUNDER BASIS BUT NO DIVIDEND THIS YEAR.

NEW POLICY OF DIRECTORS JUSTIFIED BY PROFITS: EFFECTS OF EXCHANGE.

That the earnings of the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company did not justify the Directors paying a dividend was announced by Sir Robert Ho Tung at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company held yesterday.

Sir Robert traced the effect of the drop in exchange on the Company's income, pointing out that all receipts were in either Hong Kong or Canton currency while payments of practically all kinds had to be on a sterling basis.

Speaking in support of the Chairman, Mr. M. Fernandez pointed out the wisdom of the policy of the company in running their own ships instead of farming the business out to another party. He added that in his opinion the Company was now on a sound basis.

TRIBUTE TO MR. J. ARNOLD.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, who presided, was supported by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, and Messrs. Li Tse-fong, M. K. Lo, R. K. Batcher, and C. A. de Souza (Director) and Mr. G. E. Ellms, (Acting Secretary).

The following shareholders were present:—Messrs. K. Stuart-Smith, A. M. L. Soares, M. Fernandez, J. D. Bush, M. H. Lo, Hing Tse-gee, Luk Pak-to, M. P. Lo, Wei Tit, Kwai Yau-kwong, Ho Leung, and Ho Pong.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Chairman said:—The profit on working for the period under review, including income from investments, rents, and profit on sale of shares amounts to \$230,770.00, from which has to be deducted cost of repairs, depreciation, directors' and auditors' fees, and interest, leaving a net profit of \$22,305.67. We carried forward from previous account the sum of \$10,123.10, which with the profit I have just mentioned, makes up the sum of \$32,428.77 available for appropriation.

Your Directors regret that they cannot see their way to recommend the payment of a dividend.

As you are aware, after the extraordinary general meeting held on March 4, 1930, my predecessor in the chair demanded a poll. This was taken on June 24, 1930, and the various resolutions submitted by the shareholders, who requisitioned the extraordinary general meeting, were passed by the shareholders with a majority of 5,003 votes. Until the Directors were certain which policy the shareholders favoured, arrangements were made with the former farming syndicate to continue working the Company's ships on the basis of 1929 farming agreements, and this remained in force until the middle of May.

New Policy Justified.

At this time arrangements were made for the farmers to manage the Chinese freight and passenger business on a commission basis until June 30, as the result of the poll would not have been known till June 24 and the farmers had intimated their unwillingness to continue the farming arrangements until end of June. As soon as the result of the poll was known, the new Board had to assume the responsibility of giving effect to such resolutions, and during the short period of June 24 to June 30, of engaging the necessary personnel and taking over from the farmers. Mr. Hung Tse-gee was appointed Chinese manager under my guarantee as from July 1, 1930.

I think the results of working for the six months, July-December under the Company's new system fully justify the policy I outlined when I addressed you a year ago.

Comparative Figures.

As you have no doubt observed from the Directors' report, the comparative figures for the Chinese freight and passenger business for the periods:—

(1)—1929, January-June (when such business was farmed out) and (2)—1930, January-June (when from 1.30 to middle May such business was farmed out but, thereafter, until 30.6.30, was under Farmers' management) show that the receipts for the first period exceeded those for the second period by the sum of \$18,955.58 for the Canton line and \$20,963.30 for the Macao line. The comparative figures for the 1929 July-December

period (when such business was farmed out) and for the 1930, July-December, period (when the business was under the Company's own management) show that, while the Company received \$10,727.88 less in the Macao line when the business was managed by the Company, it received \$97,133.55 more in the Canton line during the period of the Company's own management than the corresponding period in 1929 when the business was farmed out.

Increase on Canton Line.

Compared with the gross earnings of the previous year, the Canton line showed a decrease of 5.2 per cent. for the first six months' working, but under new management more favourable results were effected during the second half of the year and an increase of 28.1 per cent. was recorded. Compared with the immediately preceding half-year, viz., January-June, 1930, the result is even more striking, the ratio of increase in earnings being 33.1 per cent.

As regards the loss of earnings on the Macao line of \$10,727.88, it should be pointed out that for about 3½ months during the period in question the Company had to compete with increased opposition. Had the business been farmed out, the farmers would have been entitled to substantial deductions in respect of this increased opposition. If the amount deductible by the farmers was to be credited to the account, the result would have shown a profit of approximately \$9,772.14.

Share Fluctuations.

It is gratifying to note that Investment Fluctuation Account shows an increase of \$233,644.40 and now stands at \$678,728.60. This augmentation is due to the exceptional rise during the past year in values of certain local stocks.

In turning to the Balance Sheet you will notice a smaller sum has been written off for depreciation of steamers. Hitherto it has been the policy of the Company to write 5 per cent. off the cost value of the steamers or, in other words, writing them off in 20 years. On examination, your present Board considered the policy might undergo a change without detriment to the Company, as the average useful life of a river steamer is about 25 years. We have therefore, written off 5 per cent. of the book values, instead of cost value.

You will have seen from the report that there has been a heavy falling off in steamers' net earnings compared with the previous year. Gentlemen, you will, I think, desire me to explain to you briefly the reasons for the reduced net earnings.

Effect of Exchange.

The principal adverse factor is one influencing practically all business undertakings in the Colony without exception, in which revenue is derived wholly in silver currency but the greater proportion of the expenditure of which has to be met in gold. Such is the unfortunate position of your Company to-day. It suffices to state that European floating staff wages, passage money, home leave privileges, cost of coal, stores and docking charges, are all incurred on a sterling basis, whereas the Company's receipts are taken in silver, part of which is Canton subsidiary coins which entails about 30 per cent. loss upon conversion into Hong Kong dollars. To enable you to form a correct appreciation of the increased expenditure, principally due to exchange differences, I will itemise separate

heads of expenditure. Out of a total increase of over \$150,000, wages were responsible for \$58,019

Coal	25,349
Stores	12,421
Home leave Pay	9,892
Wireless Pay	5,347
Repairs	18,195

Radical Changes.

From the figures I have just quoted it will be seen how impossible it is for the Company to continue on the present working principles. Radical changes are called for. Your business is not the only one in the Colony that has to face these contending factors so prejudicial to your best interests.

The problem bristles with difficulties and I may say that for some time now this all important exchange factor has been engaging the serious attention of your Directors. We are glad that a Commission is coming out to Hong Kong at the instance of the Colonial Office to investigate into the currency question. May we hope that some amelioration of the present difficult situation be fully realised?

During the year more steamers were placed in operation both on the Canton and Macao services. Freight rates throughout the year ruled very low, showing in some cases only a bare margin of profit.

Business Stagnation.

Practically all local shipping undertakings have suffered from local business stagnation, fall in exchange, and the periodical recurring political disturbances in the neighbouring provinces of Kwangtung and Kwangsi.

I may mention that your Directors, after due consideration, decided to insure the Company's steamers against total loss only but including salvage and damage by fire instead of on W.A. basis, thereby effecting a saving of about \$17,000 in premium a year. At the same time they effected insurance to cover loss of earnings in the event of total loss for the sum of \$400,000.

Tribute to Mr. Arnold.

Our Secretary, Mr. John Arnold, has, owing to ill health, tendered his resignation, which we, with regret, have accepted. Mr. Arnold has devoted no fewer than 30 years to the service of the Company, of which period he acted as Secretary for 17 years. I can pay him no higher tribute than to say that during this time he has gained not only the respect but, I think, the esteem of all those with whom he has come into contact. His long shipping experience has been an invaluable factor in the conduct of the business of the Company. We shall lose in him a most efficient Secretary. I feel sure you will all prove of the Directors' action in granting to him in recognition of his long services a bonus of \$20,000 which includes the equivalent of nine months' leave.

To succeed Mr. Arnold we have appointed Mr. George E. Ellms as acting Secretary.

I can only express the hope that when we next meet the long desired improvement in trade may have developed so as to reflect itself in the lifting of the depression that has been over the shipping industry for such a long period.

Staff Thanks.

It has always been the custom of the Chairman in closing his remarks to thank the staff of the Company both ashore and afloat, who always labour strenuously in the promotion of our interests. I do so with much pleasure on this occasion. I wish to acknowledge to all members of our staff, European and Chinese, my appreciation of their loyalty and devotion to duty.

TRIBUTE TO DIRECTORS.

Mr. M. Fernandez said:—I beg to second the adoption of the Report and Accounts and in doing so, I would like to make a few remarks.

Your announcement of the inability of the directors to recommend the payment of a dividend does not come as a surprise to me. It will doubtless be remembered that when addressing your predecessor in the Chair at the last Annual Meeting, I called attention to the fact that, due to the farming system, our steamers had been running at a loss and that the payment of dividends by borrowed money was unjustified, as the net profit was mainly income obtained from investments. The farming out of the Chinese freight and passenger business had never been satisfactory.

In view of the gratifying results obtained under the Company's new system, during the period of six months (July to December) which have so fully proved the wisdom of the policy outlined by you a year ago, I wish to congratulate you, Sir, and to express the conviction that the confidence in you evidenced by the large number of votes in your favour at the poll on June 24, 1930 has been fully justified.

Unity of Opinion.

Unity of opinion among shareholders is usually not easily obtained because of their varying points of view, also because they are not as a rule an organised body, nor are they easily organised. It

BIG CINEMA FOR KOWLOON.

SOME FEATURES OF THE PRINCE'S THEATRE.

The new theatre, built by Sir Robert Ho Tung, to be known as Prince's Theatre, at the junction of Nathan Road and Prince Edward Road, Kowloon, which will be opened shortly, embodies many new features. It is, probably, the largest theatre in the Colony, having seating accommodation for more than 2,000 persons, and an unusually large stage, 42 feet deep by 45 feet in width, with dressing rooms attached, thus providing for stage shows when required.

The building is built on modern lines and it is fire-proof throughout, full protection against fire being provided by the latest appliances installed by the Jardine Engineering Corporation. A special feature is the fire proof curtain, the first of its kind in the Colony.

It is the intention to show a selection of the best sound pictures available on the R.C.A. Photophone sound reproducing equipment, which is the first equipment of this kind to be installed in Hong Kong. Prices on the other hand will be very much on the "popular" basis, in these times of the falling dollar.

Another special feature is an up-to-date restaurant and soda-fountain in the building, which is under European management, also on the roof garden there will be tea tables where patrons can sit and enjoy the fresh evening breezes whilst awaiting the beginning of the performances.

The building was constructed by Tung Nam Construction Company, the architects being Denison, Ham & Gibb, and the electric lighting was installed by Wm. C. Jack & Co., Ltd.

It is announced that the opening of the theatre will take place about the middle of this month.

is, therefore, not an easy matter for shareholders assembled at a meeting, to decide which one of their number is best fitted to represent them.

At the time when you took over the management there was great uncertainty as to the future of the Company. There were so many uncertain factors and so many serious possibilities, that your task, Sir, was indeed a difficult one. The situation was unusually complex.

The task of revitalising and recapturing the lost business of the Company was not an easy one, but you have surmounted all the obstacles and emerged triumphant, with an increased revenue of nearly a lakh on the Canton Line. This is attributable to your able management and proves conclusively that the shareholders made no mistake when they approved your policy by such a large majority, thereby showing that they realised that you possessed the best qualifications for undertaking the control and development of the Company's affairs.

Investments.

Although last year's profit may be somewhat disappointing, due principally to the unparalleled drop in exchange, shareholders ought to be gratified to note that the Company's share investment cost prices of \$355,968.80 appreciated to \$678,728.60 (including balance of \$222,759.80) making a total of \$1,044,717.50 or something over 175 per cent. of their original book values.

Personal of the report amply illustrates the soundness of the Company in tangible liquid assets. The Company is now established on a very sound basis.

In conclusion, I desire to state that, while present prospects may not be as bright as we should like, due to the continued existence and the seriousness of current shipping depression and competition combined with the unfavourable exchange we have reason to be encouraged, inasmuch as the Company has come through such a serious time and the report shows such a satisfactory position, which is indeed as good as could be expected in such circumstances, and I feel certain that, when the long looked for revival of trade materialises, this Company will receive its fair quota of prosperity.

With these few remarks I beg to second the adoption of the report and the statement of accounts.

Other Business.

Messrs. R. K. Batcher and Li Tse Fong were unanimously re-elected Directors for the ensuing year on the proposal of Mr. Stuart-Smith, seconded by Mr. M. H. Lo.

Mr. M. P. Lo proposed, and Mr. Wei Tat seconded the reappointment of Messrs. Lindsay and Davies, and Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews as auditors at the increased remuneration of \$1,200 each.

MR. J. M. V. RIBEIRO PASSES AWAY.

DEATH AFTER OPERATION FOR PERITONITIS.

AN ESTEEMED CLUB MEMBER.

The death has to be recorded of Mr. Jose Maria Vieira Ribeiro, a well-known member of the Portuguese community, at the age of 55. His passing away at a comparatively early age (he was in sound health only a few days ago) will be sincerely regretted by a wide circle of friends in the Colony.

Mr. Ribeiro complained of a pain in his stomach last Friday and decided to have a few days' rest at home. On Monday, however, it became necessary to remove him to the French Hospital where an operation was performed the following day. He never seemed to rally, but was conscious to the end, which came at 4.50 a.m. yesterday. Death was due to peritonitis.

As a member of the Craignower Cricket Club, he took a keen interest in its social and sporting activities. Last season he assisted the club as a lawn bowls player in the junior division. He was one of the club's outstanding billiard players and served in inter-club competitions, besides representing the local Portuguese in interport matches with the Shanghai Portuguese. The Craignower flag was lowered as a mark of respect when it became known that one of their esteemed members had passed away.

Survived by Widow.

The deceased was formerly employed by Messrs. Alex. Ross, but at the time of his death he was with Messrs. Lam Yau & Co., building contractors. He leaves a widow and an infant child to whom much sympathy will be extended in their sad bereavement.

Before he was taken ill, Mr. Ribeiro had purchased a ticket in a local race sweep, which he later sold to a friend. This ticket drew a prize (about \$1,400), but in view of the circumstances the owner of the ticket has decided to hand over the proceeds to deceased's widow.

The Funeral.

There was a large attendance at the funeral, which took place in the afternoon at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley, the Rev. Father Fago conducting the service. The pallbearers were Messrs. V. F. de Souza, E. Zimmerman, J. Delgado, H. Lim, J. Anderson and M. L. Rocha. Among those present were Messrs. R. Bass, W. B. Musket, W. Ward, C. S. Roselle, A. L. de Souza, C. Vaz (representing Catholic Union Club), F. Neves, G. Kelly, J. Landolt, A. B. Hanson, W. J. Howard, E. Mowfung, A. J. and A. L. Osmond, A. E. Coates, N. B. Kitchell, W. Allen, J. H. Soares, U. M. Omar, J. Van der Lely, A. A. Razack, M. O'Brien, S. A. Manti, O. Ismail, A. Rahmin and A. Costa.

Included in the many wreaths were tributes from Messrs. Lim Yau & Co., Messrs. Alex. Ross & Co. and staff, and Craignower C.C.

SHIPPING POINT RAISED.

MANAGER SUMMONED FOR OVERLOADING.

At the Marine Court yesterday, Mr. Chan Yun Tong, manager of the Sze Yau Steamship Company, stated to be the owners of the s.s. Tai Lee, was summoned for allowing the vessel to be overloaded. Capt. R. Elvidge, who was the master of the vessel at the time of the alleged offence, was present in Court, and after some discussion the case was adjourned till Monday.

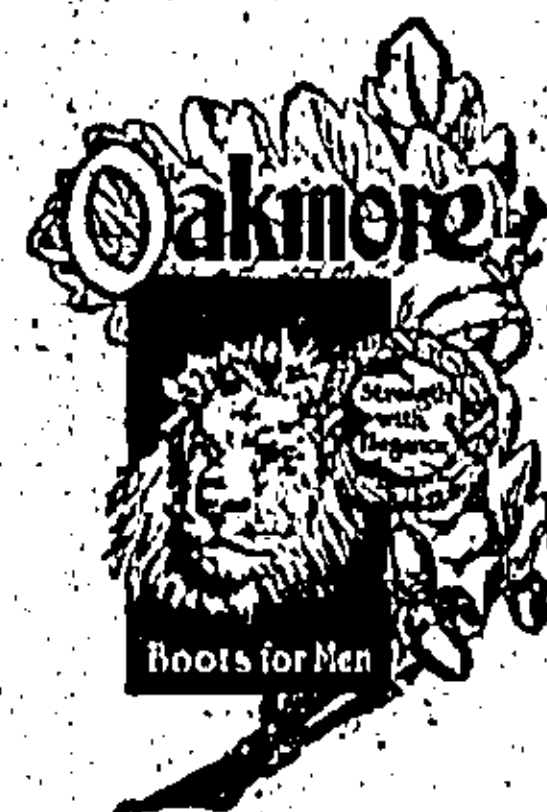
Mr. E. S. C. Brooks, for Mr. Chan, pleaded not guilty. He stated that he objected to the summons against Mr. Chan on two grounds: (1) that it was issued against Mr. Chan Yun Tong as owner of the Tai Lee, which he was not, and (2) that Mr. Chan knew nothing about the alleged overloading and was therefore not liable in that case.

Questioned by the Magistrate, Mr. Cooke, of the Harbour Office, who prosecuted, said he could not prove that Mr. Chan was the owner of the s.s. Tai Lee, but given time, he would be able to prove that Mr. Chan was the manager of the Sze Yau S.S. Co., who were the owners of the ship.

There was considerable argument on certain technical points after which the case was adjourned as above stated.

Tai Lee In Collision.

The Tai Lee and Wing On were involved in a collision on Wednesday, but fortunately neither vessel was badly damaged and both were able to leave again, on schedule, yesterday.



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NOTICE.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company (also its registration) will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 16th MARCH, 1931, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Manager, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1930.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 11th DAY of MARCH, to TUESDAY, the 17th DAY of MARCH, 1931, Both Days inclusive, during which period NO Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 5th March, 1931. [423]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF LORENZA SANCHEZ DE SIEM, Late of No. 15, CAMEROON ROAD, KOWLOON, in the Colony of Hong Kong, Widow, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of the Provisions of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1897, made an Order limiting the time for Creditors and others to send in their Claims against the above Estate to 28th DAY of MARCH, 1931.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their Claims to the Undersigned on or before that Date.

Dated the 6th day of March, 1931.
DEACONS,
Solicitors for the Administrator,
1, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hong Kong. [418]

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HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE FORTY-FIFTH YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the HONG KONG CLUB will be held in the CLUB HOUSE on THURSDAY, the 12th MARCH, 1931, at 5.30 P.M.

By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON, Lieut. Col.
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 3rd Mar., 1931. [401]

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING will be held at the Company's Office, P. & O. BUILDING, on WEDNESDAY, 11th MARCH, 1931, at 11 A.M. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st DECEMBER, 1930, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The REGISTER of MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from 5th MARCH, 1931, to 12th MARCH, 1931, Both Days inclusive, during which period NO Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 10th Feb., 1931. [350]

REMEMBRANCE IS

BORN OF AN ULTIMATE OF

SMALL THINGS—A LIFT

OF THE SHOULDER—

A LITTING LAUGH—

A SNATCH OF SONG OR

A BREATH OF PERFUME.

THE WOMAN OF TO-

DAY CHOOSES HER PER-

FUME WITH THIS TRUTH

IN MIND. LIKE A MAS-

TER IN THE ART OF

MOSAIC, SHE ENHANCES

THE DELICATE PATTERN

OF HER PERSONALITY

WITH A FRAGRANCE THAT

GENTLY POINTS THE

WAY TO REMEMBRANCE.

WE HAVE THE

LATEST AND BEST

TO SELECT FROM.

COTY, CARON,

HOUBIGANT, GODET,

BOUJOIS, DORSAY

LENTHERIC, AND

THE NEW CREATION

"ROSE BLEUE"

By

GUERLAIN

A. S. WATSON &

Co., LTD.

The Hongkong Dispensary.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the SIXTH ORDINARY

YEARLY MEETING of the HONG

KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY,

LIMITED, will be held at the

BOARD ROOM of the Company,

Second Floor, Exchange Building,

Hong Kong, at 11.30 A.M. for the

purpose of receiving a Statement of

Accounts and the Report of the

Directors for the Financial Year

ended 31st DECEMBER, 1930, and

electing Two Directors and the

Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the

Company will be CLOSED from

the 4th to the 11th MARCH, 1931.

Both Days inclusive.

Dated this 11th day of Feb., 1931.

By Order of the Board,

W. L. MCKENZIE,Secretary.
14, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hong Kong. [358]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the 42nd ORDINARY

ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE-

HOLDERS will be held at the

Company's EXCHANGE

BUILDING, Des Voeux Road

CENTRAL, Victoria, Hong Kong, on

WEDNESDAY, the 11th DAY

of MARCH, 1931, at 11.30 A.M. for the

purpose of receiving a Statement of

Accounts and the Report of the

Directors for the Year ended 31st

DECEMBER, 1930.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the

Company will be CLOSED from

WEDNESDAY, 4th MARCH, 1931,

to WEDNESDAY, 11th MARCH,

1931, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

ALLAN KEITH,Secretary.
Hong Kong, 10th Feb., 1931. [364]

NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

THE undermentioned Certificate for

40 Shares in the Company,

registered in the Name of J. A. F.

FREDERICO NOLASCO DA SILVA,

has been declared LOST. If at the

Expiration of One Month from the

Date hereof the following Share

Certificate is not produced to the

Company, namely, Certificate No. 1181

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5 p.m., stated:—

The anti-cyclone is moving eastward and is now central over Korea. Fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected along the S.E. Coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Local Forecast:—E. winds, fresh to moderate; generally overcast; some drizzle or mist.

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The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, MARCH 6, 1931.

THE RED LIGHT.

A Kowloon employer of labour sent last June a letter to the Kowloon Residents' Association, from which we take the following references to one of the Colony's most debatable problems:—

As per attached drawing my Works are being operated at Bowring Street, and just in front there are Chinese stalls, which at times do cooking, whilst near by, at Temple Street, there are some brothels. Both the brothels, which are functioning even at daytime and the stalls at such close proximity to my premises, are decidedly a nuisance and a hindrance to the decent and regular working of my employees, numbering about 50 people of both sexes. Besides, I must state for your information that my Works are sometimes in operation till midnight, so you will also admit how demoralizing and evil-conducive are the brothels there.

The Hon. Secretary, on behalf of the Association, requested the Colonial Secretary's "consideration of the points raised in connection with the brothels in this area."

The official reply was as follows:—

As regards the complaint regarding the proximity of certain brothels to the Works in question I am to draw your attention to the terms of my letter of 3rd April on the same subject.

That letter referred chiefly to residential areas, and if business premises are to be included in the enquiry the subject becomes a much wider one.

It is observed none of the houses in question are actually visible from the Works mentioned.

The whole question continues to receive the careful consideration of the Government, but, as already stated, no immediate solution of the difficulty has yet presented itself.

Careful consideration resulting in "no immediate solution of the difficulty" is not encouraging. We have in Hong Kong "tolerated" houses so that the streets may be decent and safe at night-time. Furthermore, the system is supposed to admit of some degree of police and medical control.

The objects are secured in respect of the Central District, but not for the remainder of the towns of Victoria and Kowloon, Nathan Road and Wanchai Praya being particularly in need of a clean up.

Many of us fail to see the difficulty of the problem. Few would argue for "total abolition," but it is hard to understand why one of these areas should be just off the main road in Kowloon, and advertised by glaring lights, while another is in close proximity to the Naval Canteen and the new Sailors' and Soldiers' Home. It would appear to be common sense to have these "licensed" or "tolerated" places in a secluded area. Those who really wish to

patronise them will have no difficulty in finding them, but at present strong and insidious temptation is placed in the path, particularly of men of the Services and from merchant ships. Our Government, which cheerfully moves hills and casts them into the sea to make more land, cannot, it appears, transplant these special areas out into places where they will no longer be a nuisance as well as a disgrace. How strange a thing is power! What it can do, and what it cannot!

A League of Nations' Committee of inquiry into the traffic in women and children has only recently left the Colony, where it made fairly extensive investigations. The matter raised in this article will not be officially reported, for it is outside the terms of reference, but no doubt the very able and conscientious members of that Committee took note of many things, and will be questioned thereon. This is not the time to lay the Colony open to attack upon a subject which lends itself to misrepresentations and to interesting publicity in the newspapers of foreign countries.

TESTIMONIALS.

The case of a man, who was recently fined £40 for offering false certificates of character to the Newcastle Education Committee gives rise to some speculation on the whole nature of testimonials. In this instance, the defendant produced testimonials of such weight that he was placed on a short list of chosen from 145 applicants. The defendant pleaded guilty to the deception, but how many of us, who have elicited genuine testimonials from our more powerful friends, or given an over-kind word on behalf of a needy acquaintance, have not been troubled by doubt? Human nature is, on the whole, kindly, and praise is a pleasant balm. Motives that have nothing to do with the merit of the candidate will sway the generous testimonial writer, and none has a stronger pull than local patriotism.

"Beware," said Dr. Jowett to a young man who had just been appointed principal of a provincial college, "of Scotch testimonials and Irish gold medals!" Yet who will deny that to meet a man who was born where we were born can sweeten the waters of Babylon? So long as we are able we shall refuse to believe him a villain; should he ask us for a testimonial, we shall stress his virtues and omit his faults. Perhaps it is all a mistake. In the future, it may be, questionnaires will take the place of testimonials—as they do in America to-day—and candidates for posts will be required to answer queries such as "Are you conscientious?" and "Have you poison?"

The Bishop of Birmingham, Dr. Dargie, was interrupted by a young woman while preaching at St. James' Church, Sutton Coldfield, near Birmingham. He was speaking of evolution, and had just said that "from some ape-like form man appeared, when the young woman, who was in the gallery, shouted, 'I don't believe you!'" The churchwardens and the vergers escorted her from the building, and the Bishop continued his sermon.

★ News and Views ★

Soviet Merchant Fleet.

The Soviet mercantile fleet in the Far East will shortly be increased by five steamers of 6,000 tons each, which are to be transferred from other lines. Several steamers are also under construction for the Far East in the Leningrad dockyard. Altogether the Soviet fleet in the Far East will be increased during the present year by 16 steamers of a total tonnage of 57,000 tons.

End of Famous London Hotel.

The Hotel Cecil, which was recently purchased by Shell-Mex Ltd., is shortly to be demolished and a new block of offices will be erected on the site. The architects for the new building are Messrs. Joseph and the Consulting Engineer is E. L. Hurst, Esq., M. Inst. C.E. The contract for the structural steelwork, some 5,500 tons in all, has been let to Messrs. Dorman, Long & Co. Ltd., of Middlesbrough, London, who have contracted to complete the erection within twenty weeks from the date of commencement. All the steel employed will be of British manufacture throughout, being made in the contractors' own works at Middlesbrough.

3,000 Tons Bank Vault.

Probably the biggest safe in the world, weighing something like 3,000 tons, will be installed in the Bank of Japan, at Tokyo. The huge depository vault, which has been manufactured in the United States, has already arrived at Yokohama, but about a year and a half will be required to construct the big vault in the underground room of the state bank. Mr. Schmidt, an American expert, who has come over to Japan with the safe, is supervising construction.

The Late Lord Russell.

The late Earl Russell, whose sudden death is announced elsewhere, lived down the memories of a somewhat stormy youth, though in "Who's Who" of 1931, he still announces with old-time defiance, that he is an agnostic as well as a Fabian. When a fairly young man Lord Russell, taking advantage of an American divorce, married again, but on his return to England was promptly arrested. The Lord Chancellor of that time, Earl Halsbury, a great lover of peace, and a stickler for the letter of the law, insisted that Earl Russell's trial should be before the full assembly of the peers—the House of Lords in robes and coronets. Earl Russell a little spoiled the show by pleading guilty, and there was a contretemps when the Lord High Chancellor had to break a certain rod of state across his knee, and found it a tough and painful job. While in prison (six months in the criminal division) the Earl "taught the time by writing 'La Sermona,'" and "very good sermons they are," was the testimony of a Sussex Rural Dean. Lord Russell had a secluded residence, "Telegraph House," in the Sussex Downs, near Harting, and wonderful tales are still told in local village inns. The Earl, who had long been an ardent Socialist, encased a large part of his Sussex estate with high barbed wire fences. The rest of the Downs is free to all. There is a wall round the strip which is Arundel Park, but the Park, like all the rest of the land owned by the Duke of Norfolk, is open to the public.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

A maid servant, employed at 6, Luna Buildings, Kimberley Road, committed suicide on Wednesday by hanging herself with a silk girdle.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the offices of the E.E. Telegraph Company:—Coard Square, Cunard Co., from London; Jovino, Hong Kong, from Shanghai; Tyebally, from Colombo.

In an advertisement appearing elsewhere in this issue, it is announced that the annual general meeting of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., will take place in the Hong Kong Hotel at 11.30 a.m. on March 13.

A coroner's inquiry into the death of a Chinese boy named Kwok Ping (aged 7), who was knocked down by a motor-bus on February 7, last, was to have been held at Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday, but owing to the non-appearance of the police it was adjourned sine die. Mr. E. W. Hamilton, addressing the jury, said he was sorry they made the trip to the Magistrate's for nothing and added that he will get the motor-bus drivers to be more careful in order that the matter might be looked into.

Local.

A German born in London was tried in Germany for fraud. He wished to "go straight," so the court imposed a suspended sentence on condition that he repaid his victims. The German applied his leg to the problem of satisfying the court's demand. He called on several people and defrauded them of money by a trick in order to repay his first victims. He was sent to prison.

"The Disarmament Farce."

General Sir Ian Hamilton who during the world war commanded the Allied troops at the Dardanelles today delivered an arresting speech to the British Legion in which he declared that it appeared to him as if the disarmament conference of the League of Nations was degenerating into a meeting of the board of directors of armament companies. Things in Europe could not go on this way much further. Many of such things as war and reparations must come to a speedy end. The general concluded by telling his former soldier hearers that big events were impending in the world to-day and that it was the task of the former combatants of Great Britain and other countries to decide whether they would be decided by warlike or peaceful means.

Poland Wants Colonies?

The semi-official Warsaw paper, *Gazeta Polska*, recently published an article in favour of strong propaganda for getting for Poland some colonial possessions in order to provide room for the steady increase of the country's population, which is reckoned at no less than 15 per thousand per annum as against 10 in Germany and 7 in Italy. While the latter has, as a result of propaganda, almost fulfilled her colonial ambitions, Poland does not see how to provide for the 500,000 people who make up the annual increase and on account of the economic depression and consequent anti-immigration laws promulgated by many countries find no place to go and work. In case of a redistribution of the former German colonies Poland would demand for herself part of these colonies and especially the Cameroons.

Tomb of Egypt's Queen, 5000 B.C.

A tomb, believed to be that of a Queen who lived 5,000 years ago, and containing objects which vie in beauty and interest with those found in King Tutankhamen's tomb, is reported to have been discovered by Professor Selim Hassan, the first Egyptian to undertake excavation work on his own tomb in the necropolis of Ra Wer, a prince and high priest of the Third Dynasty—about 5,000 B.C.—last year on a site close to the Sphinx. Recently he resumed excavation work in the enclosure, and has laid bare a tomb, which was found sealed and intact. It consists of two chambers, one of which contains the sarcophagus of a queen, surrounded by a gold crown set in precious stones. The other chamber is filled with articles of furniture, toilet requisites in gold, and alabaster statues. This tomb is said to belong to the mother of Tarsu Ankh, the high priest whose body Professor Hassan discovered last year. Ra Wer's tomb, in which all these discoveries have been made, is described as a "city below the earth," complete with buildings and roads.

Local.

Watson & Co.'s dividend. Page 6.
Helen May Concert. Page 6.
Round the Shops: By "Eve." Page 2.

The plucky action of a servant girl in raising the alarm prevented an armed robbery at Kennedy Road yesterday. Page 6.

An order has been made by the Supreme Court for the winding-up of the firm of E. Hing, ship-chandlers. Page 6.

The annual general meeting of the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. was held yesterday. Full details. Page 7.

The death occurred yesterday at the French Hospital of Mr. J. M. V. Ribeiro, a well-known member of the Portuguese community. Page 7.

An apology was not accepted by the Puisne Judge in contempt of Court proceedings for assaulting a witness. Defendant was fined \$100. Page 6.

To-day's wireless programme. Page 11.

Shipping intelligence. Page 15.

Sport.

Last night's boxing. Page 12.

Golf notes: By Gum. Page 10.

Cricket notes: By R. Abbit. Page 10.

English and Scottish Cup football results. Page 10.

Latest Cables.

The British Naval Estimates for the year were announced yesterday. Page 6.

Mr. W. J. Brown, Labour member for West Wolverhampton, has resigned from the Labour Party. Page 6.

The compradore of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. at Tientsin was kidnapped by armed men in the British Concession yesterday afternoon. Page 6.

Their Royal Highnesses arrived by air at Mar del Plata, the "Brighton of Argentina," a few hours behind scheduled time owing to bad weather. Page 9.

The terms of the agreement between Lord Irwin and Gandhi for the discontinuance of the civil disobedience campaign in India have been published. Page 9.

The President of Colombia has signed an agreement with the Colombia Petroleum Company for the exploitation and development of the Bogota oilfields. Page 9.

It is now stated that the dumping of Soviet goods into the Dutch East Indies is being carried on with the knowledge of the Government. Page 9.

It is announced from New Delhi that Gandhi and the Congress Executive have called off the civil disobedience and no-tax campaign, and other cognate activities. Page 6.

Negotiations are going on between German and French concerns aiming at the institution of a regular motor bus line between Berlin and Paris especially during the summer months and in connection, at least this year, with the architectural exhibition held in Berlin and the colonial show in Paris. The train would take about two or two and a half days and would give the travellers ample opportunity to enjoy the many beautiful sights en route.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

Certain people in the provinces, however, are causing unfounded rumours to be spread and there have been some local riots between converts and others, which have given rise to the apprehension of Japan and the United States. The troops had been sent to the Philippines for quite a different reason, but telegrams had been sent to the Chinese Minister in Washington and those to other Powers, instructing them to decide that the anti-foreign feeling in China was without foundation.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, March 6, 1900.

Looking Back 50 Years.
Although the departure of the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company's steamer *Haoshin* for England has no special political significance, yet the event is not wholly devoid of interest. The *Haoshin* will be the first steamship flying the Dragon flag which has ever entered the English port. A good many years ago a Chinese junk sailed up the Thames and was exhibited as a curiosity, and Chinese cannon have long ceased to be phenomena in London and Liverpool, but a steamer flaunting the Dragon flag is a new sight.

Looking Back 25 Years.
A Peking telegram in the *North China Daily News* states that the Chinese high officials have held a meeting to discuss the reported anti-foreign movement in China. One of them stated at the meeting that both Japan and United States have expressed fears of another Sino-Japanese war.

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**EWOS COMPADORE
KIDNAPPED.****SEIZED IN TIENTSIN BRITISH
CONCESSION.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TIENTSIN, Mar. 5.
Liang Lai Kuei, Mosier, Jardine, Matheson & Company's compadore and a member of the British Municipal Council, was kidnapped about 4.30 this afternoon while rickshaving home from office.

The affair occurred on the Canton Road, British Concession, and according to the rickshaw coolie's evidence his rickshaw was forced in towards the pavement by a passing motor-car, which immediately stopped, disgorging a number of armed men, who bundled the compadore into the car and rapidly drove away.

Liang Lai Kuei, who is aged 50, is an American returned student and has been in Jardine's employ for 20 years.

The matter is being handled by the British Municipal Police, who are at present busy rounding up witnesses of the occurrence.

**HU HAN MIN VIRTUALLY A
PRISONER.****NANKING DECLARE HE IS
RECUPERATING.**

(Chun Wan Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Mar. 5.

Rumours are in circulation that Hu Han Min is virtually a prisoner in Tangshan, a summer resort in the suburbs of Nanking, where he has taken up residence since his resignation from Central Government offices.

The Nanking authorities assert that Hu Han Min is ill and his retirement there is for the purpose of recuperation.

**GHASTLY MOTOR-
CAR ACCIDENT.****AMERICAN WHANGPO PILOT
ALMOST DECAPITATED.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 4.

Captain G. W. Crum, 43 years of age, an American and a Whangpo pilot, met his death under ghastly circumstances last night.

He was driving a powerful Packard car in the Western district. He appeared to hesitate at a turning, failed to negotiate the turn and crashed through a telephone standard, rooted up several trees, and hit a house from which the car rebounded.

The car turned a somersault twice, pinning Captain Crum underneath. The accident occurred outside the Country Hospital, to which he was immediately taken, but was found to be dead. He was almost decapitated, besides receiving other terrible injuries.

**U.S. SILVER LOAN TO
CHINA.****AMERICAN CAPITALISTS'
CHANGED ATTITUDE.**

(Chun Wan Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Mar. 5.

The suggestion of a silver loan to China by the United States appears now to have been whittled down, which is alleged to be principally due to the changed attitude on the part of the American capitalists concerned. As the principal supporter of the proposed loan, Hu Han Min, has disappeared from the political arena, Mr. T. V. Soong, the Nanking Finance Minister, and other Ministers, though having expressed their sympathy with the project, have not the courage to conclude the arrangement.

**EARL RUSSELL DIES
AT MARSEILLES.****COLLAPSE IN HOTEL
THROUGH HEART FAILURE.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MARSEILLES, Mar. 4.

Earl Russell collapsed in an hotel this afternoon and died of heart failure.

His brother, the Hon. Bertrand Russell, is coming to Marseilles immediately.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, Mar. 4.

Earl Russell, Under-Secretary of State for India, died suddenly yesterday in Marseilles at the age of 60 years.

Earl Russell, who had been recuperating in the South of France after his recent illness, was, it is understood, about to return when he was overcome by an attack which proved fatal.

Earl Russell was appointed Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Transport when the Labour Government was formed in 1929 and later in the same year succeeded Dr. Drummond Shiels as Under-Secretary of State for India.

His brother, Mr. Bertrand Russell, the famous mathematician and author of many philosophical works, succeeds to the peerage. [The late Earl was educated at Winchester and at Balliol College. He was an electrical engineer and a barrister-at-law, and an agnostic and a Fabian. His publications included "Lay Sermons," "Divorce," and "My Life and Adventures."]

**LADY CYNTHIA MOSELEY
RESIGNS FROM LABOUR.****BELIEF IN SOCIALIST SOLU-
TION OF PROBLEMS.**

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, March 4.

Lady Cynthia Moseley, member of Parliament for Stoke, has resigned membership of the Parliamentary Labour Party. Lady Cynthia, who is a daughter of the late Lord Curzon, is the wife of Sir Oswald Moseley and was one of the adherents to his recent Memorandum announcing the formation of the "New Political Party."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

All Governments Alk.

LONDON, March 4.
In a letter to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Lady Cynthia Moseley, explaining her resignation, declares that the present Labour Government differs little from the preceding Tory and Liberal Governments. Mr. Snowden's recent speech had abdicated to a complete acceptance of the philosophy of their most reactionary opponents.

Lady Moseley concludes: "The only final solution of our economic problem is the Socialist solution."

Mr. W. J. Brown Also Resigns.

LONDON, Mar. 5.
Still another Labourite has resigned from the party.

Mr. W. J. Brown, M.P. for West Wolverhampton, in a letter to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, says: "My continued membership has become irreconcilable with any kind of intellectual integrity."

**BRITISH AIR BASE AT
SINGAPORE.****TO BE COMPLETED IN
TWO YEARS.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 4.

In answer to a question in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. F. Montague, the Under-Secretary for Air, stated that approximately 2,000,000 will have been spent on the Air Base at Singapore by March 31. The total cost of the work was 2,370,000 and it was expected to be completed in essentials in 1933.

**EUGENE CHEN'S LATEST
APPOINTMENT.**

(Wah Tu Yat Pao.)

MUKDEN, Mar. 5.

The Nanking Government is consulting the Manchurian Government on the advisability of appointing Mr. Eugene Chen Foreign Commissioner in Manchuria.

The Manchurian Government, however, expresses the opinion that in view of Mr. Eugene Chen's past association with the Red elements the suggestion requires serious consideration.

**LORD IRWIN-GANDHI
AGREEMENT.****TERMS OF SETTLEMENT
FOR A TRUCE.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NEW DELHI, Mar. 5.

The terms of the Lord Irwin-Gandhi agreement have been published.

They provide:—

(1) The cessation of the civil disobedience campaign.

(2) The cessation of the boycott of British goods, as a political weapon.

(3) The release of "non-violence" and civil disobedience prisoners.

(4) Permission to residents in the salt areas, particularly the poorer population, to collect and manufacture salt for domestic consumption or for sale in their villages.

(5) Permission for picketing if non-aggressive.

(6) The withdrawal of the Ordinances issued during the civil disobedience campaign.

(7) Non-interference with the sale and purchase of British goods.

Campaign Called Off.

Gandhi and the Congress Executive have called off the civil disobedience and no-tax campaign and other cognate activities.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, Mar. 4.

The Secretary of State for India, Mr. Wedgwood Benn, in the House of Commons, announced that the Governor-General, Lord Irwin, had informed him that the "conversations," which have been proceeding in Delhi concluded satisfactorily last night.

The Governor-General proposes to issue an early statement as to the present position.

It is understood that the text of the statement will be communicated to the House of Commons to-morrow afternoon and will at the same time be released in India.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NEW DELHI, Mar. 4.

Mr. Gandhi for seven hours discussed with Mr. H. W. Emerson, the Home Secretary, details in connection with carrying out a settlement.

The "conversations" related mainly to the restoration of confiscated property and the release of political prisoners.

Although the full terms of the settlement are not yet known, Congress leaders declare that they are pledged to abandon the boycott as a political weapon and they have limited the activities of the picketers, as in arranging a truce, it is necessary to drop hostile weapons.

It is reported that under the settlement only peaceful picketing shall be employed. On the other hand, Congress members declare that the boycott of foreign goods will remain.

American Trade Circles Gratified.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Mar. 4.

Trade circles are very gratified to learn of the conclusion of an agreement between Gandhi and Lord Irwin. The settlement, it is anticipated, will favourably affect American commerce.

It is believed that the Indian demand for silver may be increased, thus helping American and Mexican mines.

**WORLD'S GREATEST
OILFIELD.****CONTRACT TO EXPLOIT A
MILLION ACRES.**

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, March 4.

A report from Bogota says that an agreement allowing the Colombian Petroleum Company (which is composed of United States interests) the right to exploit 1,000,000 acres in the Birco Oilfield has been signed by the Colombian Minister of Industry.

Barco is believed to be one of the world's greatest oilfields.

It is expected that Colombia will now enter the front rank of the world's oil producers.

The contract, which provides for the Colombian Company to operate the field for the next 50 years, and five years' litigation during which there were frequent interchanges of notes between Washington and Colombia.

Three-quarters of the Colombian Petrol Company's stock is owned by the Gulf Oil Company and the remainder by the Carib Syndicate, which is reputed, is controlled by a New York banking house.

The development of the field will begin immediately, including the building of a 24,000,000 pipe-line to the north-east of Colombia on the Atlantic side.

Agreement Signed.

NEW YORK, Mar. 5.

The President of Colombia has signed the Petroleum Company agreement, also the Petroleum Bill designed to encourage foreign capital to undertake the development of the Colombian oilfields.

**BRITAIN'S NAVAL
ESTIMATES.****STATEMENT BY FIRST
LORD OF ADMIRALTY.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Mar. 5.

The "scrapping" of the battleships Benbow, Emperor of India and Marlborough, the battle-cruiser Tiger, and the "demilitarising" of the battleship Iron Duke, as a result of the London Treaty, was one of the features of a statement by Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, accompanying the publication of the Naval Estimates for the forthcoming financial year, totalling £21,603,000, which is a decrease of £342,200 compared with the net total last year.

The economies include about £300,000 in pay and allowances due to the fall in the cost of living, and £300,000 in wages, while only one new flight is added to the fleet arm compared with two last year.

Mr. Alexander mentions that catapults (for launching aircraft) now fitted to four ships will be fitted to 11 others in the course of the year.

British naval officers are to be lent to the Chinese Government to help in the training of the Chinese Navy, which will send Chinese officers to undergo courses in England.

The current programme provides, *inter alia*, for three new cruisers, one flotilla leader, eight destroyers, four sloops and three submarines. The naval strength will be reduced by 3,400 officers and men to 83,000.

It is pointed out that for the period of four years, from April, 1929, to April, 1932, the navy will be reduced by 10,000 officers and men.

**BRITISH PRINCES FLY TO
THE ARGENTINE.****ELEVEN BRITISH 'PLANES
PROVIDE ESCORT.**

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

BAHIA BLANCA, Mar. 4.

The Prince of Wales and Prince George made their first landing on Argentine soil to-day when they landed at Bahia Blanca, having flown from San Antonio in separate planes, escorted by 11 British machines from the aircraft-carrier H.M.S. Eagle.

They are leaving for Buenos Aires to-morrow.

Arrival at the "Brigaton of Argentina."

MAR DEL PLATA, Mar. 5.

The Prince of Wales and Prince George arrived last evening by aeroplane escorted by nine Royal Air Force machines at this "Brigaton of Argentina" from Bahia Blanca two hours behind scheduled time owing to bad weather.

Rain and low clouds often obliged the Princes, who were flying in separate machines, to fly at an altitude of only a few hundred feet.

Thousands of people motored to the aerodrome, which is 20 miles from town, and welcomed the Princes amid scenes of amazing excitement.

Later, Their Royal Highnesses dined and danced at the Golf Club, where there was more enthusiasm.

**GENERAL ELECTION IN
TURKEY.****OPPOSITION MISLEADING
PUBLIC OPINION.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 4.

The National Assembly has approved the dissolution of Parliament and a General Election proposed by Mustafa Kemal, who issued a proclamation to this nation accusing the adversaries of attempting to mislead public opinion and explaining that it was decided in order to ascertain the degree of the nation's approval and the measures he believes it right to take in the future.

FRANCE'S WAR ESTIMATES.**TWENTY-FIVE MILLION
FRANC REDUCTION.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, Mar. 4.

The Senate Finance Committee has adopted the war estimates involving a reduction of 25 million francs.

**NAVAL SETTLEMENT
FEATURES.****SATISFACTORY TO THE
UNITED STATES.**

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Mar. 4.

President Hoover, in a formal statement, describes the naval settlement "as a matter of congratulation for the whole world." Subsequently Mr. Stimson indicated that it was satisfactory to the United States.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

British Policy Based on New Agreement.

LONDON, Mar. 4.

The success of the British naval mission in Paris and Rome was announced to the House of Commons by Mr. Arthur Henderson, the Foreign Secretary, in answer to questions.

Mr. Henderson said that an agreement had been reached which was, of course, subject to the concurrence of the other signatories to the London Naval Treaty.

Whatever limitation, he said, had been imposed upon the construction of new warships, the outstanding feature of the agreement was the political achievement.

Renewal of Competition Prevented.
The agreement prevents a renewal of competition in naval armaments. Moreover, a breakdown would have vitiated the atmosphere in which the World Disarmament Conference would meet in February, 1932.

He hoped now that all would meet at Geneva with better prospects of ultimate success all along the line. In any case, the agreement would do much to increase the feelings of friendship and co-operation not only among the countries immediately concerned in the accord, but among all the signatories to the London Naval Treaty.

Terms to be Announced Next Week.

Mr. Henderson said it would clearly be discourteous to give information regarding the terms of the settlement until the signatories to the Treaty, including the British Dominions, had had time to consider them.

He hoped that Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, would be able to give the details during the debate on the Navy Estimates next week.

History of the Negotiations.

As regards the history of the negotiations, he said that after negotiations had been proceeding for some time between French, Italian and British naval experts, and in view of the possibility of further increases in French and Italian naval armaments unless an agreement was reached soon, the Prime Minister, Mr. Alexander and he himself were convinced that success could only be achieved by personal contact of the leading Ministers of the three countries.

Friends Reception at Paris and Rome.

As a result of that decision, he left London with Mr. Alexander at short notice on February 23, and met with a very friendly reception in Paris and Rome. It was manifest in both capitals that only a keen desire for an agreement enabled them to overcome the serious difficulties which for so long prevented an agreement.

The result was that a solution had been found for the problems left outstanding by London Naval Treaty.

**ELECTORAL REFORM
BILL.****ALTERNATIVE VOTE
CLAUSE ADOPTED.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Mar. 4.

The House of Commons, in the Committee stage of the Electoral Reform Bill, carried the clause introducing the alternative vote, the division resulting:—

For 277
Against 251

Majority 26

**SOVIET DUMPING IN DUTCH
EAST INDIES.****GOVERNMENT AWARE OF
IMPORTATIONS.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BATAVIA, Mar. 5.

Contrary to the allegations by a member of the People's Council, it is now declared that the importation of Russian piece goods is proceeding openly with the knowledge of the Government.

Furthermore, prices for these goods are no lower than for similar Japanese and European products; while all goods are marked with the country of origin.

**OBSTRUCTIONIST TACTICS
IN U.S. SENATE.****SEVERAL BILLS KILLED.**

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Mar. 4.

A massacre of the innocents has been caused by a final orgy of obstructionist tactics in the Senate. The measures killed include the Jenkins Immigration Bill (which would have greatly tightened up the regulations), the Vestal Copyright Bill and the Kendall Tariff Bill (the latter further favouring American producers).

The 71st Congress has now officially ended.

**AMERICA'S NATIONAL
ANTHEM.****"THE STAR-SPANGLED
BANNER."**

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Mar. 4.

President Hoover has signed the Act making "The Star Spangled Banner" the official National Anthem.

**BRAZIL'S AMBASSADOR TO
WASHINGTON.**

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

RIO DE JANEIRO, Mar. 4.

Ex-President Piacco Pessoa has been appointed Brazilian Ambassador to Washington.



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Sports News

GOLF NOTES.

[By GUM.]

The return of the cold and blustering weather accounted for a fewer number of players turning out over the week-end. Although the Peninsular and Island were being subjected to a regular gale, it was very much less gusty in the New Territories and those who have a Sunday programme planned would do well to telephone to Fanling for a supplementary weather report before cancelling their arrangements. By the afternoon the wind had dropped to little more than a breeze and, with the ground soft after the rains of the previous week, the conditions were delightful for golf. These pleasant cooler months will soon be gone and the sweaters will once more be tucked away in moth-eaten drawers, so lose not an opportunity of enjoying Fanling at its best—far away in the countryside where the jaded weariness of overstrained living is forgotten.

It must be some years since the Junior Championship at Fanling has kindled so much interest as on the present occasion, and there is a noticeable undercurrent of excitement concerning the match to be played over 36 holes on Sunday next. Each camp has its enthusiastic partisans and many are the bets which have been jotted down in little note-books—but for the possibility of unintentionally infringing the new regulations, a successful sweepstakes might undoubtedly have been organised. It is anticipated that the eldest of the elders of Sheungshui will be inveigled upon to be present at the first tee to shake hands with the contestants, when a snapshot or two may be taken by one of the Club's amateur photographers.

The large gallery which is expected to be efficiently handled, but the public are advised to keep well away from all round the ball—the men, so as avoid being hit by some club flung away in a paroxysm of rage at the miffing of a shot, and the ladies, for the same reason but also to avoid the increasing of their vocabulary with words which, even in these days of modernity, have not yet become thoroughly household.

Was this match an American box-fight, the adversaries would have been in the midst of declarations through the Press of what particular mince-meat the one intended making the other, but fortunately this is still a British Colony and, therefore, whatever ill-feeling may exist has been confined to muttered whispers between the prospective opponents "en passant."

The Colonel is an old tactician and will probably be full of beans, but the players have been cautioned to employ no strategies beyond those encompassed by the rules and the etiquette of the game.

The competitions in the ladies' section of Fanling proceed gradually, and the only one so far completed is the 1930 Captain's Cup, where congratulations are extended to Mrs. Kearney on her victory in the final over Mrs. Cassidy with a comfortable margin of 4 and 2. The latter player also suffered defeat in the "Championship" at the hands of Mrs. Lambert to the tune of 4 and 2, so the possible "hat-trick" mentioned in last week's Notes was but an idle dream—Mrs. Lambert will now meet the winner of the Mrs. Kearney and Mrs. Cassidy match. In the "Ross Cup" Miss Mackie accounted for Mrs. Lambert in a close finish 2 and 1, which will enable her to meet in the final either Mrs. Evans or Mrs. Dovey.

A lady was heard to say the other day that she was fed-up with golf, to which her auditor replied: "I didn't know you had taken it up."

"Quite true, dearie," was the answer, "but my husband has."

The coming Spring, despite the low dollar, will see the usual exodus of those bound for Home, amongst whom many of the familiar sights at Fanling, Valentine, Dodwell & Co., has already sailed and it is to be hoped that he will regain it is to be hoped that he will regain

(Continued on next Column.)

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

HONDA BEATS H. D. RUMJAHN.

EASY VICTORY.

Without having to assert himself, T. Honda, the holder of the Open Singles, beat H. D. Rumjahn yesterday in the second round of the current championship unexpectedly easily by 6-1, 6-1. The Indian gave a disappointing performance, and failed to realise his supporter's expectations of giving the champion a good run. At no stage did he show any signs of producing form good enough to match the Japanese, invariably falling off in long rallies while his side line drives which are usually features of his play did not come off at all, most of them going outside when he attempted those shots. Honda, on the other hand, played a sterling and brainy game, controlling his shots gracefully and accurately, timing and again beating, by fine cross court shots, Rumjahn who made futile attempts to overcome Honda by net-play.

Honda now meets W. C. Hung, who yesterday qualified for the third round by eliminating H. S. Lee in straight sets.

The Ladies made their initial appearances in the Open Doubles, and had no difficulty in entering the next round.

Yesterday's matches resulted as follows:—

Open Singles.

T. Honda beat H. D. Rumjahn 6-0, 6-1.

H. K. Lau beat Yoshikawa 6-0, 6-0.

W. C. Hung beat H. S. Lee 6-1, 6-3.

W. T. Lee beat C. E. Holmes 1-6, 6-4, 6-1.

Open Doubles.

M. W. Lo and M. K. Lo beat D. Silva and Dos Remedios 6-1, 6-1.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Open Singles.

Chan So v. Wong Shiu Wing.

Yew Man Kit v. Ng Kam Chuen.

Capt. W. M. Morgan v. E. T. E. Nash.

Soenderam v. Anderson.

Open Doubles.

T. Honda and T. Akiyama v. Wong and Tsai.

Raffin and Myrrett v. Redmond and Ede.

S. E. Green and D. S. Green v. Lo and Lu Tak Chuek.

P. Kong and W. T. Lee v. Ema and Hayane.

his full health whilst on leave. Young A.P.C. departs in a few weeks and also there is a disinclination to record the actual names of those about to go. Most of us have at one time dodged shroffs.

A professional said the other day that elbow-lifting is the chief trouble with beginners—he may, or may not, have been referring to the Nineteenth Hole.

The ladies are teased under various descriptions of wives, sweethearts, etc., also man likes their company on more occasions than when he wishes to dispense with it—the balance is undoubtedly well down on the "pro" side of the scale. Whilst this is not meant to be a sop, it can be taken as such if the sweet things of the Kowloon City links are piqued or feel that they are being unjustly discriminated against.

The new regulation calls for no ladies on the course on Saturday afternoons or on Sunday and holidays before the tiffin hour. This ruling has become a necessity on account of the heavy overcrowding recently experienced. The men, poor dears, are keeping an eye on the office clock for five and a half days a week, during which time their women attachments would be far better employed in keeping an eye on the ball than in untiringly overhauling the stock in trade of the Pioneer Silk Store or similar emporia of female delights. The men would benefit, so would the ladies—and also the silks. Ladies should play golf, as that game is the hallmark of healthy humanity—but so should the men.

No word is extant in the English language to denote the feminine trait of male-gregariousness which, irrespective of their much vaunted emancipation, still maintains.

Every member of a golf club has his pocket picked recently—the thief can justifiably claim to have done the whole in one.

CRICKET NOTES.

INTERESTING GAMES—IN SPITE OF THE RACES.

R. ABBIT'S WEEKLY REVIEW.

The atmosphere at the moment seems fuller of ponies than of cricket but there have been some interesting games recently. The Club postponed their match with the University but the K.C.C. and Gunners match came off alright, and a very fine game it was too. The Gunners were lucky to win the toss and went in first. Wolfe-Barry and Haslewood both got double figures but Goodwin got going and took the first four wickets in quick succession. But as usual Mueson came to the rescue of his side and MacFarlan decided to have another go final with him, winning in seventy to Mueson's seventy-eight. Testing apart it was a very gallant stand and put the Gunners in a very strong position. They declared with the second century lost.

Brace Saves Kowloon.

The K.C.C. batting was again utterly at sea with one exception. As he has done so often, Brace pulled his side out of a bad hole scoring seventy-five off a bad one but Hung did anything. I am coming to the conclusion that the Fincher brothers and Zimmerman are stale. They played very late in the spring of 1930 and began very early in the autumn of that year, besides playing, I think, one or two matches in the summer. They would be well advised to have a complete rest from cricket from April to the last week in September. The K.C.C., however, managed to make a draw of it, with Mueson taking four for thirty.

Race-Week Cricket.

Every Race Week now many keen cricketers get together for some more unburied games than are possible on a Saturday afternoon. I am not sure that the Volunteers did not start it, but I know E. J. R. Mitchell and H. Owen Hughes were among the pioneers. The first game was at K.C.C. between that Club and the Volunteers. The latter on Sunday ran up two hundred and seventy-three, which included a hard hit eight-seven not out by R. M. Wood. Kowloon, however, headed them, and thanks to Willie Hung (76) and Ernie Fincher (84) finished off on Monday twenty-seven runs on. Burnett then brought off his first big bowling feat in the Colony and took eight for twenty-eight. Griffiths contributed thirty-eight of the total of seventy-two (Mitchell) was absent according to the score I saw, and as he made forty-four in the first knock, he had a good match. He appears to be settling down to the Hong Kong light and wickets. Kowloon won very easily by nine wickets. I am glad to see Burnett bowling on. He may yet prove the bowler K.C.C. are looking for.

Volunteers v. Regulars.

The Volunteers saw off their professional brethren by exactly one run on Tuesday on the Club ground. Davies had a day off from the pads and took five for forty-eight just to show what he could do with the ball. The Army side was by no means a bad one with Williams and Fry to bowl as well. MacKay got into the thirties and Griffiths and Owen Hughes into the twenties but the score was only one hundred and thirty-six. The Army would have fared ill had not Fry been dropped before he had scored. He then rattled off fifty-one before he was c and b by Owen Hughes when trying to guard his head from one of that bowler's celebrated full-tosses. It was a most exciting finish.

Volunteers v. Combined League.

Each side only numbered ten men in the match between Volunteers and the Combined League on Wednesday and the scoring was Lilliputian. (The Editor would not allow my original two words.) Volunteers scored twenty-five, of which Butler and Baker (E) got twenty-two and thirty-one apiece. The Combined League compiled no less than sixty-seven, and they had quite a fair side out! I understand, however, it was quite a cheerful game.

Forthcoming Games.

The Club have a blank day tomorrow while K.C.C. and Civil Service play off their League fixture. I am not sure if the latter will be at full strength but with Griffiths, R. M. Wood, Richardson, Snyder and de Rome they should at all events draw. If Brace is not playing they might win. The game is at Kowloon.

Craigengower have a friendly on with the Argvils but as the latter are still in Camp I expect it will fall through. The Indians are at home to the Navy in a friend, and I imagine will win fairly comfortably. I don't know anything about Gunners and University but they ought to be playing off their League match I fancy. But I'm not sure.

South African Cricket.

I must again hold over my final remarks on the League rules as I am very busy on an analysis on the cricket in the South African Tests, which I hope to publish next Tuesday. I think many of my readers may find this interesting.

R. ABBIT.

HOME FOOTBALL.

DECISIONS REACHED IN CUP MATCHES.

CHELSEA OUT OF LUCK.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, March 4. Chelsea dropped out of the English F.A. Cup competition today, when they received Birmingham in the replay at Stamford Bridge. Sunderland and West Bromwich Albion also succeeded in reaching the semi-final round.

Results of the replays were as follows:—
Chelsea 0 Birmingham 3
Sunderland 2 Sunderland 4
Wolves 1 West Brom. 2
The semi-finals will be played on March 14. West Bromwich Albion and Everton will play on the Manchester United ground. Birmingham will meet Sunderland at Leeds. Scottish Cup.

Kilmarnock qualified for the semi-final of the Scottish F.A. Cup competition by defeating Hibernian in the replay. They scored five goals to nil.

The draw for the semi-finals on March 14 resulted in Kilmarnock having to meet Celtic at Hampden Park; Motherwell and St. Mirren meet at Ibrox Park.

In a Scottish League game, Celtic beat Motherwell by four goals to one.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH RUGBY?

DULLNESS INFECTS BIG GAMES.

TOO MUCH WHISTLE.

Rugby football is at the moment under a cloud, states Percy Rudd in the Daily Express. All the recent international matches have been dull and dreary affairs—interminable succession of purposeless scrummages, broken only by the incessant whistling of the referee.

A few years ago, if all else failed us, which it seldom did, we could rely upon the England v. Scotland game to lift our Rugby mood more on to the peak of achievement. Last year this annual battle for the Calcutta Cup plunged the depths of futility.

The trouble has all been in and around the scrumming:

(1) The difficulty of getting the ball into the scrum, without some rule or other being infringed, and

(2) The obstructive activities, legal and illegal, of the wing forwards.

These have resulted in the cramming and confining of the game to such an extent that most of its joyfulness, for players as well as spectators, has disappeared.

What are the causes of this progressive decadence? There are more clubs, with more playing members, than ever before, and I do not believe that the material of which internationals are made is less good. Neither can I think that the modern Rugby player is deliberately unsporting.

Referees and the Rule. We must get deeper down than this to the laws of the game itself. The story begins a year or two ago, when the authorities realised that something would have to be done to ease the way of the ball into the scrum. They warned referees to tighten up their interpretation of the rule, and the cure has been worse than the ailment.

The law, in effect, says that no forward must advance a foot until the ball has touched the ground and has passed both feet of the two outside men. The trouble is both referee and players to determine exactly when this has happened.

I saw the Navy forwards frequently penalised at Blackheath for breaches of this law. Now, the good game of Navy Rugby is such that no one would seriously suggest they were not trying to play the game. Do not this and many other examples drive us to the conclusion that the law, as at present framed, is unworkable!

Hooking in the scrumming is more or less a modern art, and in developing it we have been apt to lose sight of the fact that the real intention of the game is to gain possession of the ball by shoving the other fellows off it. If we can get back to that basic principle we shall have done something at least.

A Rule In the North. I have been it suggested that the offside activities of the wing forward, or the scrum half, might be checked by insisting that he should keep both feet instead of only one foot behind the ball. Why not go further and prevent him from advancing beyond the line of the tunnel until the ball is out?

This is a rule of professional Rugby in the North, but that should be no bar, if it is sound, to its adoption by amateurs. As the Nonconformist divine said, when he was expounding for a superstitious church harmonium by an organ. "Why should the devil have all the good tunes?"

WILLYS OVERLAND TRADE.

MONTHLY SAVING OF \$1,000,000.

A thorough overhauling of Willys-Overland's manufacturing, merchandising and financial position preparatory to launching its 1931 programme, has been outlined by L. A. Miller, president of the company, to the Wall Street Journal, giving the first statement of the corporation's position this year. As a result of the new management's policy since July, 1929, when control of Willys-Overland changed hands, inventories both in the field and at the plants have been substantially reduced, sizable economies in operation have been effected, and the company's liquid position has been strengthened.

Mr. Miller said: "A definite upturn in our business is responsible for increased employment in all plants. This upturn is attributable to approval of the new Willys-Overland programme which has been outlined to distributors and dealers in a nationwide series of meetings recently concluded."

"It will not be retarded by merchandise handicaps, as Willys-Overland dealers' stocks of approximately 7,070 cars average only 1.0 cars per dealer, the lowest in ten years."

Our new programme has been made possible by a complete overhauling and revision of our manufacturing policies, with the result that we now have in effect actual permanent overhead savings which will average more than \$1,000,000 a month in 1931 without impairing efficiency or effective competitive power.

Maintains Strong Cash Position.

"During the process of development, a new programme as important and comprehensive as this, particularly in a year of depression, satisfactory earnings have not been possible. Yet, through the reduction of inventory and improved methods of control, we have been able to maintain during this preparatory period an exceptionally strong cash position."

"All development costs and extraordinary expenses attendant thereto have been met currently. A total of \$1,000,000 in bonds was retired in July, \$1,070,000 preferred stock was retired and \$455,000 par value preferred was purchased for retirement in 1931. Notwithstanding cash and marketable securities on September 30 last were \$9,223,087 and the ratio of current assets to current liabilities was 6.3 to 1."

"Inventory of less than \$9,000,000 on October 1, 1930, had been reduced more than 60 per cent. from approximately \$28,000,000 on July 1, 1929, and I confidently expect that our new plans of control will enable us so closely to restrict inventory that future operations will show a much more rapid inventory turnover than at any previous time."

Larger Number of Dealers. "Our dealer organization, despite depressed sales conditions of the past year, is larger than before. We shall continue regardless of general business conditions to follow rigidly the conservative policy of not forcing dealers to accept more cars than they can absorb and market profitably with sound business aggressiveness."

"We believe it is essential to all automobile manufacturers if the automobile dealer is to survive as a business force in his community, and in our opinion, the permanent success of the industry rests on the permanence and stability of the merchants who form its points of contact with the public."

"Earnings results from 1930 operations cannot be estimated at this time as they will depend upon the policy adopted at the end of the year with regard to present reserves which exceed \$2,000,000, and additional reserves that good business judgment might dictate during the last quarter of the year when it is proper that adequate and liberal provision be made for future contingencies."

"So satisfactory, however, have the company's plans and program for 1931 developed to date that the outlook for the future is better than it has been for many years. It may be expected confidently that Willys-Overland will maintain a strong and aggressive position among the leaders in the industry."

FANLING HUNT FIXTURES.

Hunts will meet as follows:—
Sunday, March 8, 3.15 p.m.—Sheung Shui Police Station.
Wednesday, March 11, 3.15 p.m.—The Hunters' Arms.
Sunday, March 15, 3.15 p.m.—Potts' Bungalow.
Wednesday, March 18, 3.15 p.m.—The Kilmuir.
Wednesday, March 25, 3.15 p.m.—Dilla Corner.

THE WHITE RAY LIGHT.

INSTRUMENT BROUGHT TO SHANGHAI.

The use of the white ray of light as an important medical discovery and a demonstration of its use with soft tissue, will be the subject of several lectures which Dr. G. E. Mason, a Canadian, will give in Shanghai soon. Dr. Mason has been travelling in North China and has arrived in Shanghai. He has since been staying at the Cathay Hotel while waiting for the repair of some of his instruments before he can get down to the real business of his visit, his lectures.

This important medical discovery is called the Cameron Electric Diagonostic, and, when attached to the ordinary electric current produces a strong, cool, white ray of light which penetrates the soft tissues of the body and reveals any change from the normal in the tissue through which it passes. All healthy tissue shows pink and translucent.

The use of the white ray light was discovered by Dr. W. J. Cameron, a Canadian also, who has been

working since 1910 on the development and perfecting of the diagnostic apparatus. He was assisted and advised by the late Dr. Steinmetz, who was known as the "Electrical Wizard" of Schenectady, New York. Dr. Mason has been associated with Dr. Cameron in this work for about five years.

Not An X-Ray.

The white ray light is not an X-ray process, in fact, in many instances it readily shows defects in tissue structure before an X-ray could reveal the same defects. Particularly in the tissues surrounding the teeth, sinuses, eyes, and ears, and in the cases of suspected tumours or malignant growths, it is now being used by many of the leading surgeons of America and Europe as an aid to abdominal surgery.

Among the instruments which Dr. Mason has with him is an ophthalmoscope which, he explained, makes it possible to see through the vitreous humor and examine the eye ground to detect changes in the bloodstream. This is the only place where the physician can actually see a blood vessel at work. Speaking of the eyes, Dr. Mason believes that more attention should be given to the care of the eyes. The modern race is very shortsighted in comparison to our ancient ancestors. Dr. Mason advocates eye exercises, adding that outdoor sport is one of the greatest means of exercising our eyes as well as our muscles.

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MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.

Members are reminded that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed.

No one without a Badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 per day, including Tax, or \$40, including Tax, for the Meeting (Ladies \$5 and \$20, respectively), are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a Member, whose Member to be responsible for all debts, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be On Sale at the Race Course.

On No Protest will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the First Four Days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$4 per day, including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

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Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. LINGSTAD & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their Names on the Passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their Employers' stands.

Any Persons found loitering with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING 1931.

THE Tiffin Interval on the Last Four Days will be taken After the Fifth Race on Each Day.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Company's TOWN OFFICE, 2 Lower Albert Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th MARCH, 1931, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 18th MARCH, 1931, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. D. THOMSON,
Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 27th Feb., 1931. [384]

THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE RE TRANSFER OF SHARES.

SHAREHOLDERS are Requested to note that NO "NEW ISSUE" Shares will be transferred until after the TRANSFER BOOKS have been RE-OPENED on the 19th MARCH, 1931.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. D. THOMSON,
Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 27th Feb., 1931. [383]

ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 19th MARCH, 1931, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1930.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 10th MARCH, 1931, to THURSDAY, the 19th MARCH, 1931, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNEL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 2nd March, 1931. [303]

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersecretary, on THURSDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1931, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1930.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th MARCH, 1931, Both Days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers,
THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

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HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE FINAL DIVIDEND declared for the Year ending 31st December, 1930, at the Rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of One Pound Sterling at Exchange 1/14 is payable on and after the 2nd MARCH, 1931, at the Offices of the Corporation where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 28th Feb., 1931. [394]

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 9th DAY of MARCH, 1931, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Mount Cameron, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.					
No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square Feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	Mount Cameron	As per plan	About 11,000	101	\$148

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 9th DAY of MARCH, 1931, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Shaukeipo, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.					
No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square Feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	Shaukeipo	As per plan	About 9,287	170	\$284

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 9th DAY of MARCH, 1931, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Wai Kwoi Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.					
No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square Feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	Wai Kwoi Chung	As per plan	About 3,350	30	\$6750

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SONG RECITAL FROM THE STUDIO.

11 to 11.30 a.m.—Stock quotations.
11.30 a.m.—Chinese programme.
12.30 p.m.—European programme.
1.30 p.m.—Weather report, local time and commercial news.
2 p.m.—Close down.
5 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.
7 to 10.30 p.m.—European programme of Victor records supplied by Messrs. Tang Fook Piano Co.
7 p.m.—Stock quotations.
7.02 to 7.35 p.m.—

Talky Hits.

"Song of the Soul" (from "Climax").—The Victor Salon Orchestra.

"My Man is on the Make" (from "Heads Up").—Helen Kane Comedienne.

"You Were Meant for Me" (from "Broadway Melody").—Charles King Comedienne.

"Cryin' for the Carolines" (from "Spring is Here").—Jesse Crawford Organist.

"Weary River" (from "Weary River").—Gene Austin (Tenor).

"Don't Ever Leave Me" (from "Sweet Adeline").—Helen Morgan Comedienne.

"There's the One for Me" (from "Bulldog Drummond").—Morton Downey (Tenor).

"Cross Roads" (from "Show People").—Frank Barz.

7.35 to 8.05 p.m.—

A Concert.

Song—"Serenade" (Cesario and Tosti).—Madam Amelita Galli-Curi.

Song—"June Brought the Roses" (Stanley and Openshaw).—John McCormack (Tenor).

Piano Solo—"Etude in A Flat Major" (Chopin).—Alfred Cortot.

Piano Solo—"Waltz in G Sharp Minor" (Chopin).—Alfred Cortot.

Song—"The Bells of St. Mary's" (Furber and Adams).—Frances Alda (Soprano).

Song—"Norma" (Bellini).—Ezio Pinza (Bass).

Bassoon Solo—"Hungarian Fantasy" (Weber).—William Franzen.

Flute Solo—"Whirlwind" (Krantz).—Clement Barone.

8.05 to 8.47 p.m.—

Band and Orchestral Pieces.

(a) "Soldier's March" (Schumann). (b) "March" (Hollander).—Victor Orch.

(a) "Marche from Nutcracker Suite" (Tchaikovsky). (b) "Marche from Alceste" (Gluck).—Victor Orch.

"La Paloma" (Yradier).—Stahl's Band.

"Dance of the Hours" (Ponchielli).—Victor Symphony Orchestra.

"Kamennoi—Ostrow" (Rubenstein).—Victor Symphony Orch.

"Liebestraum" (Liszt).—Victor Symphony Orch.

"Royal Sodermanland Parade" (Lundwall).—Army Band.

"Royal Navy Parade March" (Heimdal).—Army Band.

"Popular Songs of Yesterday—Medley."—The Troubadours.

8.47 to 9 p.m.—

"Down South" (W. H. Middleton).—Everready Hour Group.

"Goin' Home" (W. A. Fisher).—Everready Hour Group.

"The Glow-Worm" (Lincke).—Boy and Girl Chorus of Brooklyn.

9 p.m.—Weather report, local time, etc.

9.05 to 10 p.m.—A recital of songs and pianoforte solos from the Studio by Miss Maria Gomes (Soprano), accompanied by Miss L. Pecker (Pianist).

1. Two Songs—(a) "The Swan" (Greig); (b) "Hidden Love" (Greig).

2. Pianoforte Solos—Selected.

3. Two Songs—(a) "In a Boat" (Greig); (b) "Gossiping" (Dodge).

4. Pianoforte Solos—Selected.

5. Two Songs—(a) "I Hear You Calling Me" (Marshall); (b) "Homing" (Del Riego).

6. Pianoforte Solos—Selected.

10 to 10.30 p.m.—"Sonata in A Major" (Cesar Frank).—Alfred Cortot (Pianist).—Jacques Thibaud (Violinist).

10.30 p.m.—Close down.

CHINA'S SLATE CLEANER.

LIST OF CAPTIVE MISSION WORKERS DWINDLING.

A PARTIAL SURVEY.

Rome, Feb. 5.—The bright hope that in the very near future China will wipe clean her slate whereon are written the names of captive missionaries is seen in the reports of the week reducing to live the number of Catholic priests in the hands of bandits or Communists. The ten "lost missionaries of Changchun" (Bishop Carballo and his staff) reported dispersed and possibly captured on Nov. 21, are safe and sound. The three sisters reported captured when Kulapa, Shensi, fell to Communists, are in the hands of the brigands, but have reached safety. Thus the captives are reduced to the two Spanish Jesuits, Fathers Hidalgo and Avito, captive since April, 1930; the Irish St. Columban priest, Father Tierney, captured in November; and the two Italian Milan Foreign Missionaries, Fathers Mazoli and Filia, also taken in November.

While the following detailed reports of captures and killings necessarily presuppose unsettled and dangerous conditions, it must be borne in mind that they deal with but five missions out of the total 69 missions in China, and with four civil provinces of the total 28 provinces in China.

Failures of the Siege.

Bishop Angel Diego y Carballo, Vicar Apostolic of Changchun, Hunan, together with two of his priests, Fathers Sauveur Casado and Leopold Mendicute, and seven Sisters, were reported dispersed on November 21. A letter of Father Mendicute from the city of Lichow dated December 11 now reveals that they are safe in that city which had been under siege by the Communists. The fall of the city seemed so certain that during it the Bishop prepared for captivity by ordering his personnel to procure shoes (the members of his order wear sandals) and clothing capable of standing the rigors of imprisonment and forced marching over the mountains. The siege, however, failed and the bishop and his staff remain free.

Father Mazoli and Father Filia, Italian priests of the Milan Foreign Mission Society stationed in the Vicariate of Handungfu, Shensi, were captured with ten seminarians when the city of Kulapa fell to the Communists November 18. It was first thought that three nuns were taken but it is now established that they fled to safety. Negotiations have been underway for 40 days for the release of the priests but the bandit chief (Koo-sing) remains adamant in his impossible demand of "1,000 rifles, 100,000 cartridges, and \$250,000." Meanwhile the condition of the prisoners is pitiable.

Heavy Property Loss.

The property loss in Kulapa is a severe blow to missionary effort. The city is the central headquarters for the Vicariate of Handungfu and contains, seminaries, school, catechumens, old folk's home, orphanage, and Sisters' convent, the result of 30 years' earnest labour. It is not yet possible to ascertain the actual damage as the Communists are still in command. Two communications have been received concerning the Spanish Jesuit Fathers Hidalgo and Avito, captured last April, whose present location remains a mystery. A dispatch from Shanghai dated December 10 states that it is believed that they are held prisoners in the triangle of mountains forming the natural boundaries of the three Provinces of Honan, Hupoh, and Anhui. They are thought to be still alive, but the bandits are very reticent. Two Catholic Chinese who volunteered to negotiate were captured as spies and killed.

Bandits on the Move.

A letter from Anking under date of December 15 states that Father Julius Herrens (who himself was captive for a short while early in 1930) is now making a thrilling attempt to approach the place where the priests are supposedly captive to negotiate with the bandits. After travelling to Lanau, the Catholic station of Wuhu Vicariate nearest the Hunan border, he has now progressed two days nearer the bandit stronghold. The danger of his position causes constant changing of position and sudden flights. The attitude of the bandits thus far consulted, demanding impossible sums instead of coming to practical terms, is considered as a probable sign that the priests are not in their hands. Father Herrens is a brother of Angel Herrera, editor of the prominent Spanish newspaper, "El Debate," of Madrid.

Details of the death of Monsignor John Soggin, O.M. Conf., Prefect Apostolic of Hingansu, Shensi, are revealed in a letter received at his headquarters from Paul Yang, native catechist stationed at Hing-yin, two days journey from Hing-yin. The prefect, says the letter, was surrounded by

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ABBAY SCHOOL IN FLAMES.

120 GIRLS ESCAPE BY ROPES.

TOWN WATER FAMINE FOLLOWS FIRE.

Warning cries in the night aroused 120 girls from their sleep when fire broke out at the Battle Abbey School for Girls. All the girls—most of them in their night clothes, were quickly marshalled by Miss Jacoby, the principal, and the mistresses, and marched to safety. The fire broke out between 4.30 and 5 a.m., and the flames, quickly gaining strong hold of the Abbots Hall, which is actually part of the historic Abbey itself, did considerable damage.

The girls showed great coolness," the Battle police stated, "and there was no panic. The Abbots Hall was reduced to a ruin by the fire, despite the efforts of the local fire brigade and brigades from Bexhill and Hastings to save the old building. It was some three hours before the flames were overcome."

Mr. H. S. Newberry, whose father is the chief of the Battle Fire Brigade, said that although the flames were leaping to a height of nearly a hundred feet and many valuable tapestries were lost, every one in the building escaped unhurt. Most of the school buildings have been practically burnt right out," Mr. Newberry said.

There were about a hundred and twenty girls sleeping there, and they were all out within three minutes. They had come from every bedroom, and without any difficulty they slid down these escapes to safety.

The girls just had time to grab their coats in some cases, but otherwise they were in their night clothes, and all their belongings were destroyed in the fire. The great hall and the most valuable part of the house is absolutely gutted. The section which contains a number of much-valued tapestries is also destroyed.

Monk's Curse.

There was no panic, and the escape was made in a wonderfully orderly manner, the girls keeping remarkably cool. One wing of the building will be saved, but the old oak beams of the remaining part burnt so rapidly that the flames rose to nearly a hundred feet and lit up the countryside.

Priceless furniture, oak paneling, and two banners, one of which was reputed to have been borne by the Conqueror's army at the Battle of Hastings, are among the lost treasures, but the whole of the valuable library was saved. It is interesting to recall that when Henry VIII gave the Abbey to Sir Anthony Brown, Master of the House, in 1538, one of the rejected monks gained admission during the celebration feast and solemnly made a curse that his descendants should perish miserably by fire or water.

Water Supplies Exhausted.

The Abbey was built by William the Conqueror, and is one of the most famous of the nation's historic buildings. It was formerly the residence of the Duchess of Cleveland. It was also in the possession of the Webster family for many years, and before the war was rented by Mr. M. P. Guece, the steel magnate and millionaire, whose daughters were famed as the "Three Charming Graces." Some years ago part of the abbey was given over to a girls' school.

The fire has not only noted for its historic architecture, but also for the charm of its grounds, and thousands of people from all parts of the world visit it on the one day a week when it is thrown open to the public.

The fire has involved the town of Battle in a serious position, practically the whole of the domestic water supply was exhausted in fighting the blaze, and the 3,000 inhabitants are having to get their supplies from ponds and similar stagnant sources. The restoration of the ordinary supply will cost an addition in the rates of 8d. in the 2d.

handits at Pei-miao-se, three miles from Hing-yin, on November 10 and together with a servant and a luggage carrier, was robbed and murdered. The catechist buried the victims but was unable to send news, through to Hing-yin until November 23.

Details of the murder of Father Mark Ho of the Vicariate Apostolic of Fuchi Hupoh, whose death was reported on December 12, reveal that he was killed with revolting cruelty on November 27. His brother and nephew were with him, but their fate is unknown.

An interesting human interest sidelight on the China situation is the inauguration by the Franciscans of Wuchang, Hupoh, of a "Crusade of prayer for the release of captive missionaries." Reminiscent of the days of the Crusades when Christian captives were held by the Moslems, the members pledge themselves to pray for the release of the Holy and the Christian prayer.

PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

The following passengers arrived yesterday by s.s. Hector.—Mr. S. Bailey, Miss E. M. S. Black, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Bell, Master Bell, Mr. A. Button, Mrs. M. Clay, Miss H. Clay, Mrs. J. S. Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. S. Deacon, Miss I. Deacon, Mrs. M. Dixon, Master A. Dixon, Master K. Dixon, Miss E. Finlay, Mr. A. L. Gace, Mr. I. W. Grant, Mr. C. Grumitt, Mrs. A. Haywood, Master G. W. Haywood, Mr. I. W. Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Lamb, Mr. R. C. Law, Mr. A. M. Macaulay, Mr. J. F. McGregor, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Marshall, Miss F. Marshall, Miss A. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Montgomerie, Mr. H. D. S. Page, Mr. B. L. Papworth, Mrs. E. W. Porter, Miss G. Rowbotham, Mr. L. A. Spalding, Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Spode, Mrs. Stuart, Col. N. W. B. J. Thoms, Mrs. Thoms, Mrs. C. L. Welch, Mr. S. E. Wells, Mr. T. F. Wimmill, Mrs. C. T. Woodruff, Miss A. Woodruff, Miss S. Woodruff.

Departures.

Per Empi of Canada yesterday to the Vancouver port:—Mr. B. Brind, Mr. T. C. Hazels, Mr. A. Gerner, Col. M. H. Logan, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Weyler, Mr. D. E. Sassoon, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Payne, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bunting, Mr. and Mrs. E. McMichael, Miss H. McCloskey, Mr. J. R. Hope, Mr. F. Benham-Hore, Mr. W. Hill, Mr. J. Assmore Elkin, Mr. J. T. Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Leland, Mr. and Mrs. D. Leland, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Finch, Miss G. Landale, Mrs. Hope Andrews, Mr. V. P. Price, Mrs. H. M. Herron, Mr. S. S. Collett, Master Collett, Mrs. S. S. Collett, Master Collett, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Westcott, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Pennett, Mrs. H. M. MacKenzie, Mr. J. MacLellan, Mr. W. W. MacKenzie, Mrs. W. L. Gerrard, Mr. W. L. Gerrard, Mr. C. E. Campbell, Mrs. E. Shelley, Mrs. L. M. Brodie, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Stevens, Mr. H. Trifflacker, Mr. G. Wedman Groff, Rev. Father Cousin, Mr. and Mrs. J. Graham, Mr. M. V. Maudville, Mr. H. Ward, Mr. H. H. Jackson, Miss E. Ward (Mrs. O. Lewinsky, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Magushon, Mrs. F. A. Holway, Mr. H. G. Sale, Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Booth, Master Booth, Mr. and Mrs. D. Cagill, Mr. Joseph Wild, Mr. N. A. Guttery, Mr. Green, Mr. F. J. Sawney, Mr. B. Morcom, Mr. Wm. A. Crowthor, Mr. E. Duxbury, Mr. F. W. Bircherrough, Mr. E. D. Staintatter, Sir Ernest and Lady Thompson, Mr. P. C. Owen-Stanton, Lt. Col. and Mrs. R. Morcom, Mr. A. L. Rae, Mr. Arthur Reiss, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Reiss, Mr. J. E. Forman, Mr. James Hill, Dr. S. H. S. Briggs, Mr. J. L. Edmondson, Mr. T. M. Poor, Mr. E. A. Barnes, Mr. T. H. Quintin Hill, Miss D. M. Watson, Miss C. M. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Goggin, Miss A. Heald, Mr. E. A. Ericson, Mr. W. G. Barney, Miss F. E. Berry, Master J. R. Boyd, Mrs. H. G. Boyd, Miss A. W. Boyd, St. Major Hill, Capt. T. Grant, Lt. Com. P. H. L. Haykness, Mr. D. C. Croom-Johnson, Mr. F. Lewis, Mr. J. Davies, Capt. and Mrs. A. D. Kelman, Mrs. Chan Shue, Mr. and Mrs. Z. W. Crimmett, Mrs. R. O. Sykes, Miss A. B. Baird.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

	Rugby, March 4.
Paris	124.00
New York	4.85 25/32
Buenos Aires	34.64
Geneva	25.23
Amsterdam	12.113
Milano	92.73
Berlin	30.43
Stockholm	18.13
Copenhagen	18.16
Cairo	18.16
Vienna	24.50
Prague	184
Helsinki	193
Madrid	

EWIN RETAINS HIS TITLE.

BIG FIGHT GOES FULL DISTANCE.

A. W. STILL IMPRESSES HONG KONG FIGHT FANS.

[By "WELTER."]

After fifteen rounds of fast and excellent scrapping at the City Hall last night, Seaman Harry Ewin, H.M.S. Kent, and holder of the middleweight title and belt, retained both by beating Jack Crichton, the clever Shanghai fighter and holder of the local welterweight title on points.

As was expected the men went all out right from the start and while Ewin was working for a win by the "key" route, Crichton seemed content to juggle on as many points as possible with the result that the first three rounds were credited to him.

The champion appeared worried in the early stages but after getting in two solid punches to the point in the fourth round, he was a new man, and hit hard and often, concentrating his punches to the jaw and aiming an occasional one to the lunch-basket. Crichton impressed me very much by his ring craft and here he was far superior to the champion who made up this handicap with a heavier punch in both hands.

As regards the fight, round by round, the first, second and third ones were rather tame, compared to those that followed. Jack fought better than he did the last time he was seen in action in the City Hall and seemed to have recovered fully from his bad hand, as he was using his right as often as he did his left.

Ewin Gets Going.

The fourth round began with the sailor boy getting in two hard clips to the jaw-left and right, and from this stage he never looked back, and although he ran into a few stinging ones from Jack, Harry appeared to be taking things more coolly.

Fight fans in the ringside, the gallery and the pits and stalls held their breath for a while in the sixth round for the boy from the cruiser hit his man right on the nose and dropped him on the canvas where he remained until five was counted. Crichton got up then but kept out of harm's way for the rest of this round, using his superior ringcraft to much advantage.

The words "very even round with plenty of action" sums the seventh round up properly and here both men gave and took a lot. Crichton seemed rather flustered about the middle of the round but recovered excellently and finished quite strong. The next round saw the champion concentrating his attack to the mid-section while Crichton connected some very nice lefts. Dropping his head and rushing in suddenly, he caught Ewin napping more than once and while Jack gave the impression that he wanted to have more in-fighting, Ewin preferred to stand up and fight. The ninth round was perhaps the best of the whole lot. It was characterized by a lot of hard-hitting. Neither man gave or took any quarter and some very clever foot-work was in evidence as well.

Crichton Stands Up Well.

Ewin almost got his man again in the tenth round when he connected a left and right in rapid succession to the point, followed by a stiff one to the solar plexus but the lad from Shanghai weathered the storm and finished off the round by keeping Ewin out.

The last three rounds were all very fast ones. Both men now worked extremely hard, the one to pile on more points while the other (Ewin) to get a knock out. Here Ewin was disappointed for, although he did get in some very telling punches, Crichton stood up well and took a lot of punishment to the head and body.

The last round saw both boys rather reckless with the result that they both missed badly more than once. Both I thought, finished very strong.

Ewin tipped the scale at 133 lbs. while Crichton was one pound lighter. It will be of interest to state that they both had put on weight since their last scrap when Ewin weighed 150 lbs. and Crichton 149 lbs.

At the conclusion of the fight, Capt. Ramsay tied the belt round Ewin's waist amidst much applause. The verdict was very well received except by disappointed fight fans, who wished Ewin stopped forward to say goodbye to the followers of (Continued at foot of next column.)

ROWDY COMPANY MEETING.

RESIGNATION OF HUDSON'S BAY GOVERNOR.

Pandemonium lasted for a great part of the time at a crowded special meeting of the shareholders of the Hudson's Bay Company at the Cannon-street Hotel on January 16, held to consider the company's future.

A special committee proposed that the company's stores business be sold to a new Canadian company, and that the London business should in future be confined primarily to fur.

Mr. C. L. Nordon had on the paper several resolutions proposing that the Governor (Mr. C. V. Sale), the Deputy-Governor (Sir Frederick H. Richmond), and the managing director (Mr. A. K. Graham) should be removed from office.

Mr. C. V. Sale, who has already tendered his resignation, at first presided and had just begun to speak when there were shouts of "Speak up!"

"We cannot hear it word," exclaimed an aged shareholder, "and we want to hear every syllable." (Hear, hear.)

Left the Chair.

Mr. Sale thereupon vacated the chair in favour of Sir Frederick Richmond.

Sir Frederick said the company was perfectly sound, with assets worth £15,000,000 gross, and the prices quoted for its shares bore no relation to their value.

But they were suffering from probably the greatest business crisis the world had ever known.

A Mr. Samuel, who followed, was interrupted, but refused to be quietened, and shouted, "This is a field day of field days."

Mr. Alfred Shepherd, chairman of the Special Committee, moved an amendment that the recommendations of the Special Committee be remitted for further consideration to the Board, reconstituted by the co-option of three new members.

Sir E. Horne's Appeal.

Sir Robert said he was anxious to see the shares of the company back to their old figure.

"I am a Scotsman," he added, amid laughter, "and I don't want to lose any of my money."

He appealed to them not to go on "scrapping."

"We cannot afford in these times of depression to have still further difficulties added to our tasks," he remarked.

He urged the shareholders to accept the amendment.

Another shareholder, amid cheers, maintained that Mr. Sale should make some explanation of his sale of a block of shares.

When the chairman rose to reply there were loud calls for Mr. Sale.

The chairman pointed out that Sir Robert Kindersley would explain the transaction.

Amid loud interruptions, Sir Robert said the shares in question were never quoted on the open market.

In my opinion," he added, "this was a perfectly bona-fide transaction." (Cries of "No, No.")

"Sack the lot," shouted one shareholder.

Mr. Sale, who received with some jeering, said, "there was nothing at all wrong about that transaction."

"The aspersions cast upon Mr. Sale are absolutely unjustified," Sir Robert said, amid further interruption.

Eventually, when Mr. Shepherd's amendment was put it was carried amid something approaching uproar.

the noble art in Hong Kong, but their cries were drowned by the loud cheers for the champion.

The Amateur Middleweight champion of Natal in 1929, made his first appearance in Hong Kong last night, being pitted against A.B. Lewellyn of H.M.S. Kent. He proved to be a cool fighter, with a heavy punch on both hands.

A.B. Lewellyn was obviously out-gassed but was game until he was knocked out in the second round. There was nothing very much in this fight except that it revealed Still's class to Hong Kong boxing fans, who will undoubtedly look forward to seeing his next bout.

Other Fights.

The results of the other fights were:

Six-Round Amateur Welterweight Contest—A.B. Chazman (H.M.S. Sandwich) beat Stoker Colo (H.M.S. Sandwich).

Six-Round Middleweight Contest—A.B. Campbell (H.M.S. Kent) beat Stoker Hudson (H.M.S. Hermes).

Ten-Round Contest at 130 lbs.—Stoker Harley (H.M.S. Kent) beat A.B. Kelly (H.M.S. Midway).

Six-Round Amateur Light Heavyweight Contest—Gunner Cole (R.A.N.Q.) beat L/Bdr. Walton (15th Heavy Battery, R.A.).

ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG.

LEXANDRIA

Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.

Pres. Garfield, Dollar, March 22.

MOY.

Hatching, Douglas, March 6.

Anhui, B. & S., March 9.

Cheking, B. & S., March 10.

Haining, Douglas, March 10.

Santhia, B.I., March 10.

Taiyuan, B. & S., March 11.

Tjikembang, J.C.J.L., March 14.

Kutsang, Jardine's, March 17.

Tsinan, B. & S., March 18.

Talma, B.I., March 24.

Yuenang, Jardine's, March 31.

Takada, B.I., April 10.

ANTWERP.

Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., March 7.

Khyber, P. & O., March 7.

Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., March 21.

Somali, P. & O., March 24.

Annam, Mannors, April 5.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Taiyang, B. & S., March 20.

Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., March 20.

St. Albans, E. & A., April 1.

BALTIMORE.

Laganbank, Bank, March 10.

Taybank, Bank, April 7.

BANGKOK.

Kaying, B. & S., March 8.

Kweiyang, B. & S., March 12.

BARCELONA.

Saarlucke, Melchers, March 9.

Leverkusen, Jensen, March 9.

BELAWANDELL.

Cremer, J.C.J.L., March 12.

BOMBAY.

Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 10.

Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., March 11.

Gange, Dodwell's, March 25.

Genoa Maru, N.Y.K., March 27.

Mirzapore, P. & O., April 1.

BOSTON.

Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.

Takekoto Maru, N.Y.K., March 12.

Laganbank, Bank, March 10.

Tai Yang, Dodwell's, March 18.

Pres. Garfield, Dollar, March 22.

Japanese Prince, Furness, March 24.

Japanese Prince, Furness, April 7.

BREMEN.

Saarlucke, Melchers, March 9.

Aller, Melchers, March 21.

Colenz, Melchers, April 4.

BRINDISI.

Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 10.

Gange, Dodwell's, March 25.

CALCUTTA.

Penang Maru, N.Y.K., March 8.

Suisang, Jardine's, March 13.

Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., March 15.

Hosang, Jardine's, March 23.

Taiyuan, B. & S., March 25.

Santhia, B.I., April 1.

Kutsang, Jardine's, April 7.

CASABLANCA.

Autolycus, B.F., March 31.

CHERBOURG.

Huichow, B. & S., March 11.

Kueichow, B. & S., March 25.

COLOMBO.

Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., March 7.

Khyber, P. & O., March 7.

Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.

Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 10.

Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., March 11.

Khyber, P. & O., March 14.

Athos II, M.M., March 17.

Antenor, B.F., March 18.

Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., March 21.

Pres. Garfield, Dollar, March 22.

Somali, P. & O., March 24.

Genoa, Dodwell's, March 25.

Genoa Maru, N.Y.K., March 27.

Rawalpindi, P. & O., March 28.

D'Artagnan, M.M., March 31.

Mirzapore, P. & O., April 1.

Carnarvonshire, Jardine's, April 5.

FOOCHOW.

Hatching, Douglas, March 6.

Haining, Douglas, March 10.

Cheongshing, Jardine's, March 10.

Chipshing, Jardine's, March 20.

GENOA.

Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, March 8.

Shantung, Gilman's, March 8.

Leverkusen, Jensen, March 9.

Saarlucke, Melchers, March 9.

Venezia-L, Dodwell's, March 10.

Lyons Maru, N.Y.K., March 14.

Sanland, Jensen, March 16.

Eurylochus, B.F., March 20.

Pres. Garfield, Dollar, March 22.

Formosa, Gilman's, March 31.

Kulmerland, Jensen, April 2.

Coblentz, Melchers, April 4.

GLASGOW.

Antenor, B.F., March 18.

Eurylochus, B.F., March 20.

GOTHENBURG.

Shantung, Gilman's, March 8.

Formosa, Gilman's, March 31.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Kweiyang, B. & S., March 12.

Kingyuan, B. & S., March 13.

Kiungchow, B. & S., March 27.

HAMBURG.

Khyber, P. & O., March 7.

Shantung, Gilman's, March 8.

City of Guildford, Bank, March 9.

Leverkusen, Jensen, March 9.

Saarlucke, Melchers, March 9.

City of Chester, Bank, March 15.

Aller, Melchers, March 21.

Somali, P. & O., March 24.

Autolycus, B.F., March 31.

Formosa, Gilman's, March 31.

Kulmerland, Jensen, April 2.

Coblentz, Melchers, April 4.

Annam, Mannors, April 5.

Carnarvonshire, Jardine's, April 5.

HAVRE.

City of Chester, Bank, March 15.

Eurylochus, B.F., March 20.

HONOLULU.

Tatuta Maru, N.Y.K., March 18.

Asama Maru, N.Y.K., April 1.

JAPAN PORTS.

Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., March 6.

City of Khios, Bank, March 7.

Mecklenburg, Jensen, March 8.

Hida, Dodwell's, March 9.

Mirzapore, P. & O., March 9.

Akita Maru, N.Y.K., March 10.

Dolius, B.F., March 10.

Santhia, B.I., March 10.

Karnala, P. & O., March 14.

Teucer, B.F., March 14.

Tziresias, B.F., March 15.

Glenlue, Jardine's, March 16.

Angers, M.M., March 17.

Eutanz, Jardine's, March 17.

Burgenland, Jensen, March 17.

Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., March 18.

Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., March 18.

Tatuta Maru, N.Y.K., March 18.

Soudan, P. & O., March 18.

Ermland, Jensen, March 20.

Franken, Melchers, March 21.

Anchises, B.F., March 24.

Nanking, Gilman's, March 24.

Talma, B.I., March 24.

Hiye Maru, N.Y.K., March 26.

Rajputana, P. & O., March 27.

Burgenland, Jensen, March 29.

Ca'chias, B.F., March 30.

City of Athens, Bank, March 30.

Felix Russell, M.M., March 30.

Glenamoy, Jardine's, March 30.

Yuenang, Jardine's, March 31.

Asama Maru, N.Y.K., April 1.

Mirzapore, P. & O., April 1.

Falchors, Melchers, April 6.

Nelore, E. & A., April 6.

Pilana, Dodwell's, April 7.

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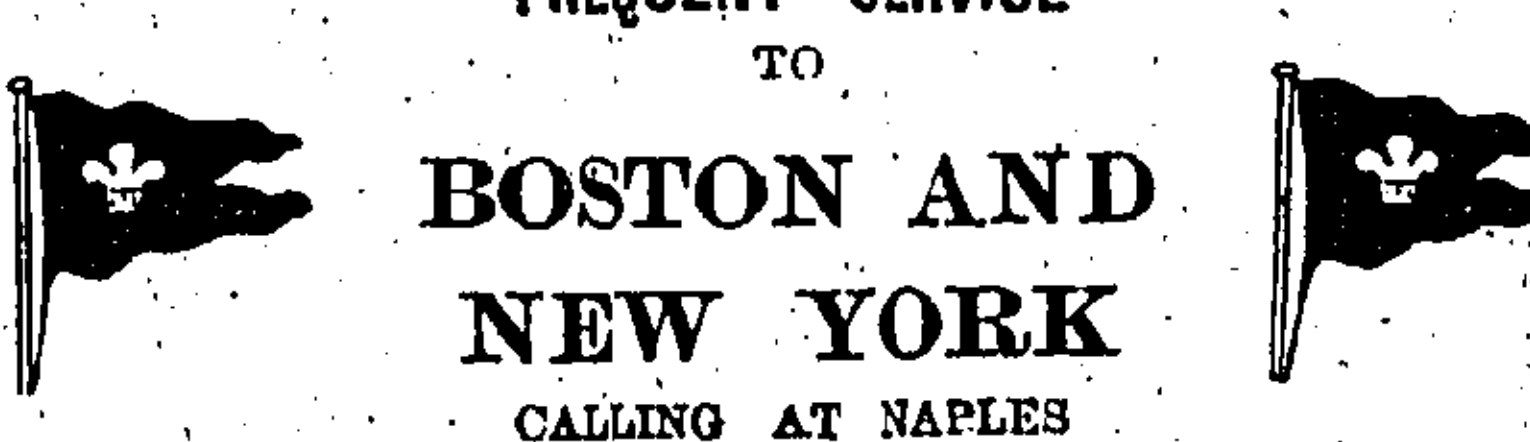
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STATION	Hour	BAROMETER At Sea Level		TEMPERATURE	WIND	WIND Direction	WIND Force	WIND Direction	WIND Force	Hour	BAROMETER At Sea Level		TEMPERATURE	WIND	WIND Direction	WIND Force	WIND Direction	WIND Force	
		Inches	Milli.								Inches	Milli.							
Wladivostok	12	29.97	755.5	...	WSW	...	...	...	...	6	29.76	768.0	...	...	N	...	...	...
Namuro	11	29.84	759.0	...	WSW	...	...	...	...	...	29.92	760.0	...	...	N	...	...	...
Hakodate	...	29.88	769.0	...	N	...	...	...	...	...	29.94	760.5	...	...	N	...	...	...
Tokio	...	29.65	759.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30.14	765.5	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kochi	...	29.76	766.0	...	NNW	...	...	...	...	...	30.22	767.5	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nagasaki	...	29.82	757.5	...	WSW	...	...	...	...	...	30.18	760.5	...	...	WNW	...	...	...
Kyushima	...	30.00	762.0	...	N	...	...	...	...	...	30.10	761.5	...	...	NNW	...	...	...
Oshima	...	30.08	761.0	...	N	...	...	...	...	...	30.14	765.5	...	...	NNE	...	...	...
Naha	...	30.08	764.0	...	NNE	...	...	...	...	...	30.10	761.5	...	...	NE	...	...	...
Ishikajima	...	30.14	765.5	...	SE	...	...	...	...	...	30.04	760.0	...	...	S	...	...	...
Bonin Island	...	30.26	762.3	36	NW	...	...	...	...	b	30.35	769.3	38	...	W	...	...	...
Chefoo	15	30.31	769.8	41	NW	...	...	...	...	b	30.30	769.6	36	4	NNW	...	...	...
Shanghai	...	30.37	771.4	42	SW	...	...	...	...	o	30.39	771.9	38	...	N	...	...	...
Gutzlaff	...	30.21	767.3	52	NW	...	...	...	...	o	...	...	...	...	N	...	...	...
Wenchow	...	30.00	762.0	56	E	...	...	...	...	2	30.07	763.8	54	6	N	...	...	...
Poowoh	...	30.08	764.0	60	E	...	...	...	...	o	...	...	...	...	N	...	...	...
Amoy	...	30.12	765.1	68	SE	...	...	...	...	d	30.12	765.0	68	...	E	...	...	...
Swatow	...	30.07	763.7	72	...	...	...	...	...	bc	30.07	760.8	59	...	E	...	...	...
Taihouku	11	30.01	768.0	72	NNE	...	...	...	...	bc	30.04	762.0	61	...	NNE	...	...	...
Taihu	...	30.03	762.8	68	NW	...	...	...	...	bc	30.03	762.7	59	...	NE	...	...	...
Tainan	...	30.06	766.6	67	NE	...	...	...	...	bc	30.01	763.6	61	...	NNE	...	...	...
Koshun	...	30.01	762.2	70	NE	...	...	...	...	bc	30.01	762.2	58	4	E	...	...	...
Pescadores	...	30.01	763.2	70	NE	...	...	...	...	bc	30.02	762.5	66	6	ENE	...	...	...
Hong Kong	14	30.02	762.5	66	N	...	...	...	...	bc	29.96	760.9	59	4	E	...	...	...
Gap Rock	...	30.00	762.1	63	NE	...	...	...	...	bc	30.01	762.8	74	...	ENE	...	...	...
Macao	...	29.98	761.5	74	E	...	...	...	...	bc	29.91	759.6	68	...	ENE	...	...	...
Holbow	...	29.90	759.4	72	E	...	...	...	...	bc	29.88	759.0	74	1	NW	...	...	...
Pratas Island	...	29.90	759.4	72	E	...	...	...	...	bc	29.91	759.7	77	6	ENE	...	...	...
Phulien	16	29.97	761.2	79	E	...	...	...	...	bc	29.98	761.4	72	6	...	...	...	...
Touran	...	29.91	769.7	81	ESE	...	...	...	...	bc	29.95	760.8	72	6	...	...	...	...
Cape St. James	...	29.97	761.2	79	NW	...	...	...	...	bc	29.94	760.4	77	6	...	...	...	...
Basco	14	29.94	760.6	85	N	...	...	...	...	bc	29.95	760.8	72	6	...	...	...	...
Apurri	...	29.99	759.8	94	...	...	...	...	...	bc	29.94	760.4	77	6	...	...	...	...
Tuguegarao	...	29.91	759.7	94	...	...	...	...	...	bc	29.94	760.4	77	6	...	...	...	...
Vigan	...	29.93	760.1	91	SSE	...	...	...	...	bc	29.94	760.4	77	6	...	...	...	...
Manila	...	29.93	760.1	91	SSE	...	...	...	...	bc	29.94	760.4	77	6	...	...	...	...
Legaspi	...	29.93	760.1	91	SSE	bc	29.94	760.4	77	6	
Calbayog	...	29.93	759.4	86	S	bc	29.93	759.4	86	
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Sarigao	...	29.92	760.0	86	NE	bc	29.91	759.7	80	...	S	
Saipan	11.00	29.91	759.7	...	E	bc	29.83	757.7	80	...	S	
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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 18,500 TONS;
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The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

British	Cargo for H.K.	Through Ports
St. Albans, Manila	410	1,322
Keying, Swatow	920	—
Boochow, Swatow	220	640
Kwai-sang, Tsingtao	917	1,470
Feoshing, Canton	—	60
Haiching, Swatow	100	—
Hydrangea, Swatow	4,200	—
Apsey, Port Kania	4,200	—
Cape St. Francis, Singapore	2,500	—
French	9,723	3,402
Canton, Haiphong	440	—
Limchow, Canton	—	150
Swedish	440	150
Starck, Antwerp	708	4,208
Norwegian	708	4,208
Hiram, Bangkok	1,300	—
Pronto, Penang	721	1,021
Danish	—	—
Clara Jensen, Hoihow	2,364	—
Italian	—	2,364
Ganga, Singapore	200	1,100
Japanese	200	1,100
Tacoma Maru, Sakito	604	3,052
Sydney Maru, Yokohama	611	1,280
Chinese	1,213	5,232
Shun Chih, Saigon	1,500	—
Cheung On, Shanghai	50	—
Total	18,500	14,270

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were:

British	Arr.	Dep.
French	9	0
Swedish	2	0
Norwegian	1	0
Danish	1	0
Italian	1	1
Japanese	4	1
Chinese	3	0
American	0	2
German	0	1
Dutch	0	1
Total	23	12

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

St. Albans (British) Melbourne, Manila	35
Soochow (British) Tsingtao, Swatow	180
Haiching (British) Swatow, Swatow	104
Hydrangea (British) Swatow, Cape St. Francis (British) Durban, Singapore	200
Canton (French) Haiphong, Limchow (French) Canton	32
Pronto (Norwegian) Penang, Singapore	248
Clara Jensen (Danish) Hoihow, Hoihow	52
Shun Chih (Chinese) Saigon, Cheung On (Chinese) Shanghai	173
Total	1,432

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The following vessels were in port yesterday:—

Wharves:—Kowloon: Tacoma Maru, Starck, Sydney Maru, Emp. of Canada, St. Albans; O.S.K.: Menado Maru, Canton Maru. Buys:—Al. Hawaii Maru, A2 Heiyo Maru, A5 Borneo, A6 Khiva, A6 Tjibadak, A6 Anking, A10 Tjiliwong, B1 Feoshing, B8 Limchow, B14 Kaying, B10 Ardent, B17 Yei-sin Maru, B18 Canton, B10 Clara Jensen, B21 Wong Shek Kung, B23 Cape St. Francis, B20 Tinhow, B27 Apsey, C1 Taiky Maru, C2 Hiram, C3 Proteus, C4 Norviken, C5 Pronto.

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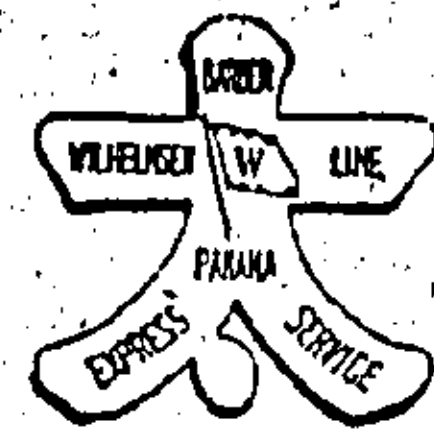
ARRIVALS.

March 4.
Clara Jensen, Danish str., 1,143 tons, Capt. J. Davidson, from Hoihow, buoy No. 119.—Chau Seng Hong.
Tacoma Maru, Japanese str., 3,642 tons, Capt. H. Kanegoe, from Sakito, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.
Wing Wo, Portuguese str., 495 tons, Capt. I. D. de Lencos, from K. O. Wan, Yumati Anchorage.—Wo Hop & Co.

March 5.
Denavon, British str., 3,723 tons, Capt. J. J. Fairweather, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—Guthrie, Livingston & Co.
Chipping, British str., 1,100 tons, Capt. D. S. Pollock, from Canton, buoy No. 12.—J. M. & Co.
Dorry, Chinese str., 678 tons, Capt. J. Bruha, from Swatow, West Point Anchorage.—Chau Yuo Teng.

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